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## Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

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# PROCEEDINGS OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF ILLINOIS

In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, the seventy-eighth annual meeting was held in the city of Chicago, at Medinah Temple, commencing on Tuesday, the 9th day of October, A. D. 1917, A. L. 5917, at 10 o'clock a. m., and was opened in ample form by Bro. Austin H. Scrogin, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.

## PRAYER.

Rev. Bro. R. Keene Ryan, the Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain, lead the devotions.

Almighty Father of the universe; we, Thy children, respectfully and reverently implore Thy presence and Thy blessing at this time.

Grant unto this assembly Thy divine wisdom in order that in all of our deliberations we may seek to show ourselves approved of Thee, and man.

Grant, our Heavenly Father, that our convention now begun with prayer may be continued in harmony and concluded in peace. We would be recreant to our trust, Oh! Lord, if we did not give Thee thanks for that degree of prosperity that has attended us during the year that now is drawing to a close.

We thank Thee for the increase of numbers, of wealth and power, and our greater capacity for helping our fellow men. Continue Thy gracious providence unto us during the year that now stretches before us. Bless our worshipful grand master and those who shall aid and assist him in the conduct of this grand lodge.

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We pray also for Thy blessing, Our Heavenly Father, upon the President of the United States. Preserve Thy servant's life and let not the hand of the violent or profane be laid upon him. Endow him with divine wisdom from above in order that he may solve and solve aright the complex problems that may from time to time confront him. Grant unto the people of this nation, Oh! Lord, obedience to the powers that be, and loyalty to their government. Shield and protect our brethren, on land and sea and grant them health, victory and a safe return to those who love them, and who are following them with their prayers and praise. These mercies, Lord, we ask in Thy name, and to Thy glory. Amen.

### FIRST REPORT—Committee on Credentials.

Bro. Henry H. Montgomery, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, announced that representatives from a constitutional number of lodges were present, and asked further time to complete their report. The request was granted.

### THE FLAG.

Grand Master Ralph H. Wheeler assumed his station. The lights in the temple were dimmed and the large drop curtain raised, disclosing immense flags of the United States, flanked on one side with the Union Jack and on the other side with the tri-color of France. These beautiful decorations were furnished through the courtesy of Bro. Arthur V. Fraser of Elmhurst Lodge No. 941.

The Grand Marshal, with the Grand Stewards, retired and returned with the flag, and presented it to the Grand Master who placed it in the Grand East while the brethren sang "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

### MUSICAL CONCERT.

At 9:30, preceding the meeting of the Grand Lodge, a musical programme was rendered by the following talent, all from St. Cecilia Lodge 865:

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 10,1917

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

I am very grateful to you and to the members of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Illinois for your message of October 9th. It is most heartening and encouraging to receive such generous assurances.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

Woodrow Wilson

Mr. Ralph H. Wheeler
Grand Master of Masons of Illinois
Chicago, Illinois

Bro. C. E. Gould, Cornet.
Bro. H. A. Rimpler, Cornet.
Bro. Albert Schroeder, Horn.
Bro. Jacob V. Havener, Horn.
Bro. Roy Banks, Trombone.
Bro. Chris Helms, Trombone.
Bro. Louis F. Armbrecht, Flute.
Bro. George J. Kurzenknabe, Organist and Director.

The brasses played the "Sextette" from "Lucia"; Bros. Gould and Helms played the "Miserere" from "Trovatore"; Bros. Armbrecht and Schroeder played Titl's "Serenade", and Bro. Kurzenknabe played the Overture to "Raymond", and several small classics during the opening of the grand lodge, and with the great organ led in "America" when the flag was presented.

## RESOLUTION.

The following resolution was presented by Bro. Charles H. Martin. It was unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge and the Grand Master was directed to wire the resolution and the action to the President, Hon. Woodrow Wilson.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Illinois, in annual communication, recognizing that our country has been forced into war to preserve those ideals which are the fundamental teachings of our fraternity, hereby registers its assurance to the President of the United States, of its unqualified loyalty to the federal government, and its united support in this great struggle that righteousness may prevail in the world and its peoples safeguarded from the evils of autocratic oppression.

Loyalty to God and to country is a dominant note in all the teachings of Freemasonry. As the representatives of the one hundred and sixty thousand members of the fraternity in Illinois, we pledge renewed fealty to our Masonic obligations which recognizes no compromise with treason.

The reply of the President to this resolution is shown on the insert opposite.

## THE IMPERIAL QUARTETTE.

The Grand Lodge was delightfully entertained by the Imperial Quartette of Chicago, who sang several selections that were enthusiastically received by the brethren.

## RESOLUTION.

Bro. Alexander H. Bell presented the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously:

We have been listening to the most delightful music of these brethren who have contributed their efforts and who have given a very appropriate and dignifying beginning to the deliberations of this Grand Lodge, and have uplifted and inspired us all. I move, therefore, that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be extended to Brother Kurzenknabe and his assistants, and to each of the members of the Imperial Quartette, for their efforts which have made this hour memorable to us all.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of Bro. Herman F. Borneman of Mithra Lodge No. 410, as assistant Grand Tyler.

## COMMITTEES.

The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary read the names of the brethren appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master to serve on the committees during this session.

JURISPRUDENCE—Monroe C. Crawford, Owen Scott, George M. Moulton, William B. Wright, Chester E. Allen.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES—Joseph E. Dyas, William E. Hadley, Hugh R. Stewart, George N. Todd, Frank E. Locke.

CHARTERED LODGES—Phil C. Barclay, W. W. Watson, J. E. Jeffers, A. G. Trees, William H. Beckman.

LODGES, U. D.—John Johnston, Benjamin A. Cottlow, Harry L. Browning, Delbert I. Duck, E. C. Mullen.

CREDENTIALS—Henry H. Montgomery, Ira J. McDowell, George L. Ayers, C. N. Hambleton, Julius Gates Strawn.

PETITIONS—John C. Weis, L. F. Childs, C. O. Faught.

OBITUARIES—Thomas G. Kerwin, Ralph W. King, Louis Zinger.

Grand Master's Annual Report—Harry N. McFarlane, Edward L. Holmes, Everett R. Turnbull.

Libraries—Charles W. Walduck, W. A. Dixon, George L. Hilliker.

Board of Grand Examiners—Maxwell Levy, Henry S. Wiley, Richard C. Davenport, Spruell C. D. Rea, Albert Jampolis.

Mileage and Per Diem—W. F. Beck, Henry T. Goddard, Thomas S. Browning, Chas. H. Thompson, Charles J. Shaw.

Finance—Edward H. Thomas, Thomas A. Stevens, E. Edwin Mills.

New Legislation—Alexander H. Bell, Elmer D. Brothers, James K. Lambert.

Correspondence—Charles H. Martin.

Board of Managers for Masonic Homes—Robert J. Daly, Louis L. Emmerson, Robert C. Fletcher, William D. Price, Irving Shuman, Anthony Doherty.

Grand Master's Advisory Council—Austin H. Scrogin, Dan G. Fitzgerrell, Elmer E. Beach, Leroy A. Goddard, Isaac Cutter, George M. Moulton, Joseph E. Dyas, John Johnston, Edward H. Thomas, Alexander H. Bell, Robert J. Daly.

Representative to Masonic Relief Association—Robert J. Daly.

Special Committee on Code-Quiz—Owen Scott.

The Grand Secretary announced the absence of only one permanent member, one Grand Lodge officer, and three district deputy grand masters. Every committeeman appointed was present. Illness was the reason given in every case except the case of Bro. Thomas A. Doherty, district deputy grand master of the 42d district, who was doing his "bit" in the service of the country.

## REPORT OF GRAND MASTER.

The Grand Master, Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, presented his annual report.

Brethren:—

We are assembled in the seventy-eighth annual meeting of this Grand Lodge and are mindful of a debt of deepest gratitude to the great Architect of the Universe for being permitted to gather on this occasion.

When we came together one year ago the war clouds were hovering near; to-day we are actually engaged in the greatest conflict the world has ever known. Little did we realize at that time what was about to befall us, and even to-day I am fearful that many of our people are not fully aroused to the seriousness of the situation.

When you consider that out of a membership of 158,000 we have approximately 10,000 already in the service of the government, with every probability that if the war lasts for another year a much larger number will be called to the colors; and when you review the report of the Finance Committee and find that your appropriations of a year ago for the maintenance of your Homes were wholly inadequate and that you have expended thousands of dollars more than was contemplated, and that this additional expenditure has been caused entirely by the war conditions, you must realize in some small degree at least the effect this terrible conflict is having on all of us. Every hour that the struggle continues adds to the seriousness of the situation and calls to our attention in a forceful manner that each and everyone of us has a duty to perform.

Masons are loyal citizens and when the record is made the world will know that our brethren have fulfilled their duty. "Masonry hath been always injured by war, blood-shed and confusion" and has "ever flourished in times of peace," and as an institution it has no place whatever in the present conflict, and it is to be sincerely hoped that when the dreadful war is over we will find Masonry in all its purity and splendor unchanged.

This government was in the main conceived by Masons, and this government can always depend upon the Masons to defend it.

I come to you with a review of the transactions of the office of Grand Master for the year, and as you follow it you cannot help but note that the war has had a material effect on the work. Many questions entirely new in their character will be before you for consideration and I am prompted to suggest that in disposing of them, you weigh them carefully and be actuated in every instance with the thought that Masonry should emerge from the conflict unsullied, and when all is over the world will have occasion to be proud that our institution exists as a beacon light always calling upon man to manifest in the highest, fulfilling his duty to his God, his country, his family, his fellowman and himself.

The principles of Masonry are correct and the world is ever calling upon each and all for their fulfillment and this call was never as loud and persistent as it is at the present moment.

### Necrology

Let us be reverently attentive and pay respect to our departed ones:

Brother Albert B. Ashley, Past Grand Master A. F. & A. M. of Illinois, died November 1, 1916, at the Henrotin Hospital in Chicago.

Brother Ashley was born September 9, 1838. He was an active member of this Grand Lodge for a great many years. He received the degrees in Masonry in King David Lodge, Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1863. He affiliated with Kewanee Lodge No. 169 A. F. & A. M. of Kewanee, Illinois, in 1874. He was commissioned as Grand Lecturer by Past Grand Master Joseph Robbins, in 1878, and was re-commissioned each year up to the time of his death. In 1887 he was appointed a member of the Board of Grand Examiners and served on that Board until 1903, with the exception of one year. He was Chairman of the Board for four years. He was elected Junior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge in 1903, and filled the various offices, being its Most Worshipful Grand Master in 1909 and 1910. In April 1861 he entered the United States Navy and served on the Steam Frigate Mississippi, under Lieutenant, later Admiral, George Dewey. He left the Navy the following June and entered the Army and rose to the rank of Captain. In civil life he was engaged in the coal mining business for a number of years, and later in the real estate business.

In Bro. Ashley's demise we have lost not only a man of sterling worth and of splendid character, but one of the greatest exponents of Masonry, and particularly of its ritual, that we have ever known.

The funeral services were conducted at Oriental Consistory in Chicago on November 5, 1916, by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

Interment was at Spring Lake, Michigan.

He is survived by his wife and one daughter.

I here record the death of a personal friend, Bro. Edward Wood Peterson, who was in his life time so intimately associated, and so closely interwoven with my Masonic career, that it would be impossible to chronicle the record of one without giving considerable of the record of the other. He came into my life about a year after I was made a Mason and a friendship immediately began which grew into an intimacy and a love which continued to the end without the slightest interruption. He presented my name to you for consideration on eight different occasions and you accepted his suggestion each time by electing me to the various offices leading up to and including the exalted position which I now hold. He was prepared in his heart to be a Mason. He was always enlisted with the

brethren who had for their object the doing of good to each other, and particularly doing good to those who were unfortunate and needed assistance. To know him was to love him and to be his friend. He was born in Kenosha, Wisconsin, October 14, 1872, and received the degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry in Kenosha Lodge No. 47 F. & A. M. located in Kenosha, Wisconsin, in 1893. He affiliated with Garfield Lodge No. 686 A. F. & A. M. of Chicago, on February 19, 1895, and filled the various places and stations in the lodge and was its Master in 1902. He was appointed District Deputy Grand Master in 1907, and served continuously for five years. He was an honorary member of the following lodges A. F. & A. M.:

Woodlawn Park Lodge No. 841.
Auburn Park Lodge No. 789.
America Lodge No. 889.
Edgewater Lodge No. 901.
Kilwinning Lodge No. 311.
Metropolitan Lodge No. 860.
John Corson Smith Lodge No. 944.
Wm. B. Warren Lodge No. 209.
Elmhurst Lodge No. 941.
Candida Lodge No. 927.
Bee Hive Lodge No. 909.

He was a member of the Masonic Board of Relief of Chicago from its inception in 1904, and was its first Vice-President for nearly all of that time. He was appointed a member of the Finance Committee of this Grand Lodge in 1915, which position he held at the time of his death. He received a commission as Grand Lecturer in 1902, and was re-commissioned each year until his death.

He is survived by his wife and a son Ralph Charles and a daughter Mildred Louise.

Died July 10, 1917.

At rest in Forest Home Cemetery July 13, 1917.

Interment by Garfield Lodge No. 686 A. F. & A. M.

The Committee on Obituaries will present to you a record of the passing of other prominent members of the craft in this and other jurisdictions.

### Grand Master's Advisory Council

Another year's experience confirms me in the belief that this feature introduced by me two years ago is one that can well be continued by the Grand Lodge. It is an old saying that "two heads are better than one," and it is as true as it is old, and I have no hesitancy in offering to you the recommendation that provision be made for the perpetuating of the Grand Master's Advisory Council as one of the standing committees of this Grand Lodge. I have followed the same rule this year as last and have submitted

every question of any importance to this Committee or Council, and have in each and every instance been guided by their advice. I am proud indeed that I can say to you that their views have, in practically every instance been my views, and it goes without saying that during the past two years your Grand Master has been able to serve you with greater benefit to all than he could have done if he had not had the assistance of these experienced craftsmen.

### Distribution of Work

The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master and Grand Wardens have all had their share in the work, and to them as well as to the Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Masters I am mindful of a debt of gratitude. The lodges have called upon these brethren a great deal and they have been a wonderful help and relief to me. The system of distributing the work has had the effect of distributing the responsibility, and the Grand Lodge officers and District Deputy Grand Masters have met the responsibility and mastered it, and to-day the Grand Lodge of Illinois has a wonderful systematic machine that is continually developing the forces of Masonry and guiding them in the right direction.

### Corner-Stones Laid

On April 30, 1917, I laid the corner-stone of a new Masonic Temple at Olney, Illinois.

On May 19, 1917, I laid the corner-stone of a new Masonic Temple at Maywood, Illinois.

On June 12, 1917, Bro. Austin H. Scrogin, R. W. Deputy Grand Master, acting as my proxy, laid the corner-stone of a Public School building at Warrensburg, Illinois.

On June 28, 1917, Bro. Austin H. Scrogin, R. W. Deputy Grand Master, acting as my proxy, laid the corner-stone of a new Masonic Temple at Blue Mound, Illinois.

June 23, 1917, Bro. William H. Bied, acting as my proxy, laid the corner-stone of a Public Library building at Urbana, Illinois.

On September 18, 1917, Bro. Austin H. Scrogin, acting as my proxy, laid the corner-stone of the Federal Building at Charleston, Illinois.

### Dedications

The following dedicatory ceremonies have been performed since the Grand Lodge session of 1916:

On October 18, 1916, Bro. Austin H. Scrogin, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, dedicated the new Masonic Hall in Virden, Illinois.

On November 1, 1916, Bro. J. L. Klemme, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the 33d District, dedicated the Plainville Masonic Hall in Plainville, Illinois.

On November 22, 1916, Bro. Austin H. Scrogin, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, dedicated the new Masonic Hall in Rutland, Illinois.

On March 12, 1917, I dedicated the new Masonic Temple in Rogers Park, Illinois.

On April 10, 1917, I dedicated the Danville Masonic Temple in Danville, Illinois.

On June 6, 1917, I dedicated the new Masonic Temple in Camp Point, Illinois.

On September 10, 1917, Bro. Austin H. Scrogin, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, dedicated the new Masonic Temple in Olney, Illinois.

On October 6, 1917, Bro. Samuel E. Grigg, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the 44th District, dedicated the new Masonic Temple in Freeburg, Illinois.

### Lodges Instituted

At the last session of the Grand Lodge a Dispensation was ordered issued to a number of brethren at Hurst, Illinois, to be known as "Hurst Lodge U. D." This lodge was instituted by Bro. John Armstrong, Right Worshipful District Grand Master of the Forty-eighth District, on December 1, 1916, to meet in Hurst, Illinois.

After careful investigation I have issued dispensations to the following lodges:

Community Lodge, instituted by Bro. John F. Schott, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the German Speaking Lodges, on February 1, 1917, to meet in Constellation Masonic Temple, No. 3900 North Robey Street, Chicago.

Fair Oaks Lodge, instituted by Bro. Nicholas E. Murray, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Sixth District, on April 5, 1917, to meet in Oak Park Masonic Temple, Oak Park, Illinois.

Loyal Lodge, instituted by Bro. Joseph J. Shaw, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifth District, on April 6, 1917, to meet in Ravenswood Masonic Hall, Chicago.

Parkway Lodge, instituted by Bro. Joseph J. Shaw, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifth District, on May 17, 1917, to meet in Lincoln Park Masonic Hall, No. 1205 North Dearborn Street, Chicago.

Hiram Lodge, instituted by Bro. Hiram Vanderbilt, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh District, on May 29, 1917, to meet in Saints John Hall, Masonic Temple, Chicago.

Honor Lodge, instituted by Bro. Joseph J. Shaw, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifth District, on June 20, 1917, to meet at No. 4022 West North Avenue, Chicago.

Woodson Lodge, instituted by Bro. A. C. Metcalf, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-first District, on June 23, 1917, to meet in Woodson, Illinois.

Birchwood Lodge, instituted by Bro. James A. Steven, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Second District, on July 3, 1917, to meet at No. 1716 Lunt Avenue, Chicago.

John Paul Jones Lodge, instituted by Bro. Claude R. Grover, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourth District, on July 17, 1917, to meet in Marshall Hall, Lawndale Masonic Temple, Twenty-third and Millard Avenue, Chicago.

Moline Lodge, instituted by Bro. Carlton G. Taylor, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourteenth District, on September 5, 1917, to meet in Moline, Illinois.

### Lodges Constituted

At the Grand Lodge session of 1916 charters were issued to the following lodges and they were constituted as follows:

Lawndale Lodge No. 995 on October 21, 1916 by Bro. Nicholas E. Murray.

Portage Park Lodge No. 1002 on October 23, 1916 by Bro. James A. Steven.

Paul Revere Lodge No. 998 on October 25, 1916 by Bro. Joseph J. Shaw.

On October 26, 1916, I constituted True Blue Lodge No. 994.

Morgan Park Lodge No. 999 on October 27, 1916 by Bro. Claude R. Grover.

Integrity Lodge No. 997 on October 28, 1916 by Bro. James A. Steven.

Sunrise Lodge No. 996 on October 30, 1916 by Bro. Richard E. Kropf.

Leyden Lodge No. 993 on November 8, 1916 by Bro. James A. Steven.

Niagara Lodge No. 992 on November 9, 1916 by Bro. Joseph J. Shaw.

Wayfarers Lodge No. 1001 on November 10, 1916 by Bro. Robert N. Holt.

Baylis Lodge No. 1000 on November 15, 1916 by Bro. Everett L. Lawrence.

### Vacancies Filled

Bro. E. J. Cowling, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Fiftieth District having resigned on December 1, 1916, I appointed Bro. Roy R. Helm of Metropolis, Illinois, to fill the vacancy.

Bro. Cary F. Crum, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-ninth District having resigned on January 15, 1917, I appointed Bro. George Edward Chamberlain of Decatur, Illinois, to fill the vacancy.

Bro. Frank R. Smedley, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-eighth District having resigned on February 13, 1917, I appointed Bro. Boyd S. Blaine of Champaign, Illinois, to fill the vacancy.

Bro. Thomas Moyer, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-ninth District having resigned on April 6, 1917, I appointed Bro. James A. Shepherd of Paris, Illinois, to fill the vacancy.

Bro. Anthony Doherty resigned as Chairman of the Board of Grand Examiners and Bro. Maxwell Levy was appointed in his stead. This also created a vacancy on the Board of Grand Examiners and I appointed Bro. Albert Jampolis as a member of this Board.

Bro. Albert Jampolis having resigned as Chairman of the Committee on Lodges U. D. I appointed Bro. John Johnston of the said Committee in his place. This also left a vacancy on the Committee on Lodges U. D. and to fill this I appointed Bro. E. C. Mullen.

Bro. Wm. A. Dixon tendered his resignation as a member of the Board of Managers of the Illinois Masonic Homes to accept the position of Superintendent of the Home at Sullivan and I appointed Bro. Anthony Doherty to fill this vacancy.

Bro. Edward W. Peterson, member of the Finance Committee having died, I appointed Bro. E. Edwin Mills to fill the vacancy.

Bro. E. Edwin Mills having resigned as Worshipful Senior Grand Deacon, I appointed Bro. Seymour S. Borden to fill the vacancy.

### Grand Representatives Appointed

Brother Austin H. Scrogin having resigned as representative of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, I recommended the appointment of Brother Robert C. Fletcher, Past Master of LaGrange Lodge No. 770 A. F. & A. M. to fill the vacancy, and the Grand Master of North Carolina issued him a commission.

Brother W. O. Butler resigned as representative of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and on my recommendation the Grand Master of New Zealand appointed Brother James A. Steele, Past Master of Sullivan Lodge No. 764 A. F. & A. M. in his stead.

Brother James A. Steele resigned as representative of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and on my recommendation the Grand Master appointed Bro. W. O. Butler in his stead.

Past Grand Master Brother Albert B. Ashley, representative of the Grand Lodge of Montana near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, having died, I recommended Brother E. Edwin Mills, Past Worshipful Master of Kilwinning Lodge No. 311 A. F. & A. M. of this city, to the Grand Master of Montana, and he was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Brother Wm. L. McKinley, representative of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, having died, I recommended Brother Harry N. McFarlane, Past Master of America Lodge and member of the Committee on Grand Master's Annual Report, to the Grand Master of South Dakota, and he was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Upon recommendation of the Grand Master of Nova Scotia I directed the Grand Secretary to issue a commission to Past Grand Master Donald F. Fraser of Queens Lodge No. 34 A. F. & A. M., Sherbrooke, N. S., as representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

Brother Charles H. Harley representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Queensland, resigned, and on recommendation of the Grand Master I directed that a commission issue to Bro. Abi Murray to fill the vacancy.

On recommendation of the Grand Secretary of Mississippi I issued a commission to Brother Paul H. Murphy of Lexington, Mississippi, as representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of that state.

Having been advised by the Grand Secretary of Rhode Island that Past Grand Master Newton Darling Arnold, representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island, had died, and that Brother Frederick I. Dana was recommended to fill the vacancy, I therefore directed that a commission issue to Brother Dana as representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

### Visitations

It is one of the regrets of my experience as your Grand Master that I have been unable to visit lodges as I should have liked to. I feel, in fact experience proves, that visitations from the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers are sought for by the brethren, and there is no question but that they are of great benefit to the institution. In a number of lodges I have heard the remark, "this is the first time we have ever had a Grand Master visit us." Had I been permitted to devote my entire time to the office of Grand Master, it would have been one of my delights to have visited the lodges as constantly as my official duties would allow. I have received invitations to attend the meetings of a number of the Grand Lodges, and it was my privilege to accept three of these.

On May 22, 1917, I attended the opening session of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Free & Accepted Masons of Michigan, at Lansing.

One June 14, 1917, I was presented to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Iowa, which was in session at Waterloo.

On September 18, 1917, I went to St. Louis and visited the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Missouri.

The hospitality shown me on each of these occasions can best be expressed by saying to you that I was made to feel as much at home as if I were here among you. I cannot help but believe that there is a tendency for Grand Lodges to live too much within themselves, and that a great amount of good would come from contact of Grand Lodges with each other by visitations of the Grand Officers. We must all agree that uniformity in regard to some of our rules and regulations would be beneficial, and I am convinced that nothing will tend more to bring this about than an intimate knowledge of each other. I heartily recommend to my successors in office that they cultivate the closest friendship possible with sister jurisdictions by visitation wherever practicable.

The following is a list of the lodges visited in the past year:

October 12, 1916, Kilwinning Lodge No. 311.....Chicago
October 17, 1916, Evans Lodge No. 524.....Evanston

October 19, 1916, Richard Cole Lodge No. 697.....Chicago
October 20, 1916, Bohemia Lodge No. 943.....Chicago
October 26, 1916, True Blue Lodge No. 994 (Constitution).....Chicago
October 28, 1916, Austin Lodge No. 850.....Chicago
October 30, 1916, Macon Lodge No. 8 (75th Anniversary).....Decatur
November 2, 1916, Delavan Lodge No. 156.....Delavan
November 8, 1916, Emblem Lodge No. 984.....Chicago
November 9, 1916, Myrtle Lodge No. 795.....Chicago
November 11, 1916, Lawn Lodge No. 815.....Chicago
November 15, 1916, Edgewater Lodge No. 901.....Chicago
November 17, 1916, Brotherhood Lodge No. 986.....Chicago
November 21, 1916, Wade-Barney Lodge No. 512 (Official Reception)
.....Bloomington
November 24, 1916, Covenant Lodge No. 526.....Chicago
November 27, 1916, Maplewood Lodge No. 964.....Chicago
November 27, 1916, Sunrise Lodge No. 996.....Chicago
November 29, 1916, Union Park No. 610.....Chicago
December 7, 1916, Woodlawn Park No. 841.....Chicago
December 7, 1916, Beacon Light No. 784 (Installation)....Norwood Park
December 8, 1916, Home Lodge No. 508.....Chicago
December 9, 1916, Wm. B. Warren Lodge No. 209 (Installation)..Chicago
December 15, 1916, Oriental Lodge No. 33 (Installation).....Chicago
December 16, 1916, East St. Louis Lodge No. 504 (50th Anniversary)
.....East St. Louis
December 19, 1916, Garden City Lodge No. 141.....Chicago
December 21, 1916, Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907 (Installation)...Chicago
December 28, 1916, Kilwinning Lodge No. 311 (Installation).....Chicago
January 2, 1917, Hinsdale Lodge No. 934 (Installation).....Chicago
January 6, 1917, Palatine Lodge No. 314.....Palatine
January 13, 1917, America Lodge No. 889 (Installation).....Chicago
January 17, 1917, Centralia Lodge No. 201.....Centralia
January 24, 1917, Joint meeting, Pekin Lodge No. 29 and Empire Lodge No. 126.....Pekin
January 27, 1917, Wm. B. Warren Lodge No. 209.....Chicago
January 30, 1917, Siloam Lodge No. 780.....Chicago
January 31, 1917, Western Star Lodge No. 240.....Champaign
February 5, 1917, Paris Lodge No. 268.....Paris
February 7, 1917, Cleveland Lodge No. 211.....Chicago
February 7, 1917, Perseverance Lodge No. 973.....Chicago
February 14, 1917, Springfield Lodge No. 4.....Springfield
February 27, 1917, Garden City Lodge No. 141.....Chicago
February 28, 1917, Alpha Lodge No. 155.....Galesburg
March 5, 1917, Waukegan Lodge No. 78.....Waukegan
March 7, 1917, Parian Lodge No. 977.....Chicago
March 8, 1917, Paul Revere Lodge No. 998.....Chicago
March 14, 1917, Acacia Lodge No. 67.....LaSalle
March 20, 1917, Wm. McKinley Lodge No. 876.....Chicago
March 21, 1917, Bee Hive Lodge No. 909.....Chicago
March 22, 1917, Thos. J. Turner Lodge No. 409.....Chicago
March 27, 1917, Wm. McKinley Lodge No. 876.....Chicago
March 29, 1917, Monitor Lodge No. 522.....Elgin
April 3, 1917, South Park Lodge No. 662.....Chicago
April 3, 1917, Olympia Lodge No. 864.....Chicago
April 6, 1917, Sincerity Lodge No. 982.....Chicago
April 18, 1917, Golden Rule Lodge No. 726.....Chicago

April 23, 1917, Englewood Lodge No. 690.....Chicago
April 26, 1917, Tracy Lodge No. 810.....Chicago
April 30, 1917, Olney Lodge No. 140.....Olney
May 3, 1917, Exemplar Lodge No. 966.....Chicago
May 4, 1917, Brotherhood Lodge No. 986.....Chicago
May 7, 1917, Union Park Lodge No. 610.....Chicago
May 8, 1917, Lake View Lodge No. 774.....Chicago
May 10, 1917, Unity Lodge No. 48.....St. Charles
May 28, 1917, Equity Lodge No. 878.....Chicago
May 28, 1917, Universal Lodge No. 985.....Chicago
May 29, 1917, Garfield Lodge No. 686.....Chicago
June 1, 1917, King Osear Lodge No. 855.....Chicago
June 6, 1917, Benjamin Lodge No. 297.....Camp Point
June 9, 1917, DesPlaines Lodge No. 890.....DesPlaines
June 11, 1917, Sunrise Lodge No. 996.....Chicago
June 12, 1917, Carnation Lodge No. 900.....Chicago
June 12, 1917, Metropolitan Lodge No. 860.....Chicago
June 18, 1917, Washburn Lodge No. 421.....Washburn
June 20, 1917, Bee Hive Lodge No. 909.....Chicago
July 5, 1917, Hesperia Lodge No. 411.....Chicago
July 5, 1917, Community Lodge U.D. .....Chicago
July 13, 1917, Prudence Lodge No. 958.....Chicago
July 13, 1917, Covenant Lodge No. 526.....Chicago
July 13, 1917, St. Andrews Lodge No. 863.....Chicago
July 17, 1917, John Paul Jones Lodge U. D.....Chicago
August 30, 1917, Ben Hur Lodge No. 818.....Chicago
September 22, 1917, America Lodge No. 889.....Chicago
September 29, 1917, Metropolitan Lodge No. 860.....Chicago

In addition to this I had the privilege of visiting Alexandria Washington Lodge at Alexandria, Virginia, on February 21, 1917.

I attended Nebraska Lodge No. 1 A.F. & A.M. at Omaha, Nebraska, on September 25, 1917.

I visited the Masonic Standard Club on several occasions, and also the Hyde Park Masonic Club.

On November 4, 1916, I accompanied the officers and members of Oak Park Lodge No. 540 A.F. & A.M. to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where they paid a fraternal visit to Henry L. Palmer Lodge No. 301 F. & A.M.

On the occasion of my visit to Exemplar Lodge on May 3, 1917, it was my privilege to officially receive Brother Harry B. Tuthill, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana.

When I began visiting lodges officially after my installation two years ago I found that there seemed to be an impression in the minds of the brethren that they were expected to present the Grand Master with some token. I felt that this would create a bad impression and perhaps stand in the light of some of the weaker lodges inviting the Grand Master to visit them and I immediately wanted it to be understood that I did not care to have the lodges present me with anything. Shortly after this one of the lodges saw fit to dignify the visit of the Grand Master by making a dona-

tion to the Permanent Fund of the Grand Lodge. I had no hesitancy whatever in letting the craft know that I appreciated conduct of this kind, and the following is a list of the lodges that have made contributions to the Permanent Fund at the time of the official visit of the Grand Master:

Bee Hive Lodge No. 909
Sincerity Lodge No. 982
Paul Revere Lodge No. 998
Carnation Lodge No. 900
Englewood Lodge No. 690
DesPlaines Lodge No. 890
Parkway Lodge U. D.
Lake View Lodge No. 774.

### Grand Secretary's Office

At the session of the Grand Lodge in 1916, a special committee report was adopted in which it was recommended that the Grand Master and Grand Secretary be instructed to rent vaults at Camp Point, Illinois, wherein to store the records of the Grand Secretary's office, upon such terms and conditions as to them seemed best. Immediately after the close of the Grand Lodge your Grand Master and Grand Secretary entered into negotiations with Arthur C. Boger of Camp Point, Illinois, and a building has been erected in which a special vault has been constructed for the use of the Grand Secretary, and likewise offices have been arranged for him and a lease executed for a term of three years, at an annual rental of five hundred and forty ($540.00) dollars, and these quarters will be ready for occupancy shortly after the close of this session of the Grand Lodge and our records will be under ample protection.

### Constitutional Amendments

At the last session of the Grand Lodge an amendment was offered to Code No. 53 and the same was seconded by the Grand Lodge and submitted to the lodges for their action; this amendment did not receive sufficient support to become a law. In my report to the Grand Lodge last year I called attention to the fact that this Code was being violated each year and asked that it be revised in order that the practice of the Grand Lodge should be in conformity with the law. As best I can understand, the lodges did not realize that the enacting of this law was simply to make it conform to the practice of to-day, and it seems to me that it would be wise to present this amendment to the constitution to this Grand Lodge for their consideration and, if it receives favorable action, that the Grand Master be directed to submit it to the lodges with a letter of explanation calling it to their attention that this change is recommended by this Grand Lodge to meet conditions which have arisen in the past years, and which have been covered in a different manner.

Another amendment to the constitution consisting of a new section to be known as Code 55 and to read as follows:

"Should any person give to this Grand Lodge by gift, devise or conveyance any real or personal estate with any limitations or conditions speci-

fied in such gift, devise or conveyance, that such property so given or only the income thereof shall be used for the maintenance and support of the Masonic Home at Sullivan or the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital at Sullivan, or the Orphans' Home at LaGrange, or any other charity which this Grand Lodge may hereafter establish, or that the same shall be used and employed by this Grand Lodge in any specified manner or for any specified purpose within the activities of this Grand Lodge, then this Grand Lodge hereby creates and establishes such fund and property so given to it as an endowment fund or trust fund to be used and employed only for the uses and purposes and in the manner specified in such gift, devise or conveyance, and this Grand Lodge shall be forever pledged faithfully to administer and preserve such funds and property as a trust according to the limitations and conditions of such gift, devise or conveyance. All such funds and property shall be kept and accounted for by the Grand Treasurer separate from all other funds and property of this Grand Lodge and subject only to such administrative regulations as this Grand Lodge may impose, consistent with the conditions of such gift, devise or conveyance,''

was offered, seconded by the Grand Lodge, and was transmitted to the lodges for their action, and was adopted. I therefore proclaimed this to the lodges and it is now a part of the Constitution.

### Code Quiz

At the last session of the Grand Lodge upon my recommendation and the favorable report of the Jurisprudence Committee, it was decided that the Grand Master should appoint a ''capable brother'' to reduce the more important part of our law to question and answer form in order that the same might be used for the purpose of examining candidates for commissions as Grand Lecturers as required in Code 179A. In order that the above recommendation might be complied with, I appointed Past Grand Master Owen Scott, who entered upon this arduous task and completed the same in accordance with the direction of the Grand Lodge. The resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge provided that this compilation of questions and answers should be submitted to the Jurisprudence Committee not later than May 1, 1917, and for your information I will state that the same was submitted not only to the Jurisprudence Committee but also to the Advisory Council, the two committees sitting at the same time, and it was later approved by the Jurisprudence Committee. Bro. Scott's work, which has been approved by the Jurisprudence Committee, will be before you and I sincerely trust that you will adopt the same. There is a great need in this jurisdiction for a more intimate knowledge of the law and I am confident that if we require Grand Lecturers to show a fair knowledge of the law it will have the effect of stimulating Masters as well as other officers to inform themselves with reference to our Code.

### Official Monitor

The Monitor adopted at the last session of the Grand Lodge was printed and ready for distribution shortly thereafter and the demand for them has been very heavy, over 28,000 having been sold, indicating clearly the interest that the craft of Illinois are taking in our ritual. The adoption of this new Monitor necessitated the revising of the exoteric work in German and I called upon Brother Felix von W. Wysow, W. Grand Sword Bearer, to do this work for me. This was no light task and the thanks of this Grand Lodge should be extended to Bro. Wysow for the labor and sacrifice required to accomplish this work. The German Monitor has been copyrighted and is now in the hands of the Grand Secretary for distribution to the German speaking members of the craft, and I am informed that a goodly number of them have been distributed.

These books are the highest type of workmanship and art and have been distributed solely by the Grand Secretary. They have been furnished to the brethren at 20 and 30 cents each, which is practically cost.

### Charity Committee

The Charity Committee expended the following amounts:

Mrs. ——— widow of a member of National Lodge, defunct.....$199.20
To reimburse a Michigan lodge for funeral expense of a member of San Jose Lodge No. 645..... 46.33

### Schools of Instruction

The constitution directs that the Grand Master shall provide for thorough instruction in the work and in accordance therewith six State Schools of Instruction were held under the direction of the Board of Grand Examiners, and in addition to these there were six District Schools of Instruction, each of which was in charge of a Grand Examiner. Detailed account of these schools will be found in the report of the Board of Grand Examiners. At each of the State Schools of Instruction I was received officially on the second evening, and instead of instruction in the ritual and forms, the evening was given over to an address on Masonry by prominent speakers. The Right Worshipful Grand Orator, and the Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain each spoke at two Schools of Instruction, and at the Chicago School of Instruction Brother Joseph Fort Newton, formerly of Iowa, and now Pastor of the City Temple, London, England, delivered an address, copy of which has been printed and will be distributed among you. The Grand Lodge is under obligations to these brethren, and particularly so to Brother Newton who comes from another jurisdiction.

I recommend that the address of Bro. Newton be published in the Proceedings.

### George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

Accompanied by Brother Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary, I attended the annual meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association at Alexandria, Virginia, on February 21st and 22d, 1917. This Association is engaged in a splendid work. It is unnecessary for me to enter into an intimate discussion of the objects of the Association at this time as they have been brought to your attention on numerous occasions before. I was thoroughly impressed with the objects and aims of this institution when I left there and intended making a recommendation to this Grand Lodge that they make an annual donation to the Association for a period of five or ten years, but since the declaration of war I have abandoned this idea, and there is some talk of the Association discontinuing their annual meetings until the war is over. I sincerely hope and trust that I may live to see the objects of the Association accomplished, and I am satisfied that every Mason in the United States would be proud to-day to point to a Masonic Memorial to the most devoted patriot the world has ever known, who was likewise a distinguished Mason.

### Homes

The report of the Board of Managers of our Homes will bring to your attention many interesting facts. The family at the Sullivan Home is gradually increasing and there is a waiting list. The new building is progressing rapidly and will be ready for occupancy in the early part of next year and there is no doubt but that we were wiser than we knew when we made provision for this addition to our Home. I doubt not that it will be found most useful to provide for some of those who will be made dependent as a result of the world's conflict which is now going on.

The family at LaGrange is about the same size as it was a year ago, and is a healthy and happy one. Manual training and Domestic Science are being taught but only in a meagre sort of way, and yet it is astonishing to see what is being accomplished. Provision should be made for a building at this institution to be devoted entirely to Manual Training and Domestic Science, and I sincerely trust that it will be a matter of but a short time until we can see our way clear, not only to make this material addition to our institution for the benefit of our children, but that we can also provide for a more complete education of our young dependents and fit them in a better manner for the battle of life. The cost of maintenance has materially increased, and acting with the advice and consent of the Grand Master's Advisory Council, and that of the Finance Committee, I have placed seventeen thousand ($17000.00) dollars in excess of the appropriation of a year ago, at the disposal of the Board of Managers for the maintenance of these institutions, out of which sum coal for both institutions for the ensuing year has been purchased.

### Water Supply

One year ago I reported to you that the water supply at the Sullivan Home was not adequate and the condition was so serious that I had directed the Board of Managers to take all necessary steps in order that there might be no shortage of water at this institution. It was estimated that $3000.00 would cover the cost. The three thousand ($3000.00) dollars was expended and we found that we had the water in sight but there was no money left for equipment. I brought this to the attention of the Advisory Council and acting with their consent, and with that of the Finance Committee, I placed an additional three thousand ($3000.00) dollars at the disposal of the Board of Managers for the purpose of equipping the wells. This money has been expended and there is every indication that we shall not have any trouble from this source in the near future.

### Coal Supply

You are all aware of the fact that the question of obtaining sufficient fuel has been and is yet a serious one and hence after submitting the question of the coal supply for our institutions to the Advisory Council, I directed the Board of Managers of these institutions to procure, if possible, sufficient coal to last them through the coming winter, and directed that they draw upon the Grand Lodge for the necessary funds to pay for the same. The coal has been purchased and delivered, and you can have the happy satisfaction of knowing that the old people at Sullivan and the children at LaGrange will be amply provided for, so far as heat is concerned, during the coming winter.

### New Building at Sullivan

At the last session of the Grand Lodge sixty-five thousand ($65,000.00) dollars was appropriated for the purpose of erecting a new building at the Sullivan Home. The Board of Managers engaged an architect and the building is progressing very rapidly and will be completed the early part of next year. An appropriation must be made at this session of the Grand Lodge to cover the cost of furnishing this building. The Board of Managers called my attention to the fact that the heating plant at the Sullivan Home was inadequate for the increased demands that will be made upon it as soon as the new building is ready for occupancy. My attention was also called to the fact that it was next to impossible to purchase boilers or contract for the building of the same. I brought this question to the attention of the Advisory Council, as well as the Finance Committee, and they sustained my recommendation that the Board of Managers be authorized to purchase the necessary boilers in order to increase the capacity of the heating plant at the Sullivan Home sufficiently to meet the increased demands occasioned by the new building. Through the efforts of Brother Robert C. Fletcher, a

member of the Board of Managers of the Homes, we were able to secure two new boilers of the size needed, which have been installed and which replace two smaller boilers that were in the power house. This was done at a cost of about seven thousand ($7000.00) dollars.

### An Acknowledgement

We are again called upon to express our appreciation to the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Illinois, for a donation of five thousand ($5000.00) dollars which was received shortly after the close of the Grand Lodge in October, 1916. This money was given to be used in the maintenance of the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital, and the Home at Sullivan, Illinois, and is the fulfillment of that great tenet of Freemasonry, relief. Brethren of the Grand Chapter we are truly grateful to you for your continued generosity.

### LaGrange School Controversy

At the last session of the Grand Lodge a resolution was adopted directing the Grand Master and Board of Managers of the Illinois Masonic Homes to carry the litigation in the case of Herbert Ashley vs. the Board of Education of School District No. 102, to a final decision from a court of last resort. Shortly after the close of the Grand Lodge a decision was handed down from the Supreme Court of Illinois, deciding this case in favor of the Grand Lodge, and in view of the fact that the decision came in sufficient time I directed that it be printed in the Proceedings. It will be found in the Proceedings of 1916, on page 144. This decides once and for all that our children are entitled to an education in the public schools and great credit is due to our attorney, Bro. Jesse E. Roberts, for the able manner in which he handled this litigation.

### The Cyclone

On May 26, 1917, a tornado swept through the central portion of the state doing serious damage in the vicinity of Mattoon and Charleston and the immediate neighborhood. Upon receiving advice of the occurrence I called upon Past Grand Master Owen Scott and he volunteered to go to the affected district at once and make an investigation. He reported that the destruction was intense but that the Masons had escaped fortunately. Several brethren were injured, but so far as financial assistance was concerned Bro. Scott advised me that there was no immediate need as the local brethren had arisen to the occasion and were making ample provision. Several of the lodges in the state telegraphed me, stating that they were prepared to contribute funds for the relief of the suffering in the devastated district, but fortunately conditions were not such as to make it necessary for me to accept these truly Masonic offerings. Since

the immediate occurrence I have heard nothing further from this locality with reference to the same and must conclude that everything is progressing favorably and that the local brethren have met every want. They certainly are to be congratulated in this regard.

### Discipline

In January of this year I received an announcement from one of the lodges of such a character as would make any respectable Mason blush with shame. This announcement was of a proposed entertainment, and one could but surmise that it would be a disgrace. I immediately called the Master of the lodge before me, and after conversing with him on the subject I concluded that his experience and ability to guide a Masonic lodge would be benefited by a long period of meditation, and I therefore deposed him from office and placed the Senior Warden in charge. I ordered that the entertainment should not be held, and directed the Secretary to announce this fact to each and everyone to whom invitations had been sent, and to embody in the said announcement the fact that it was my order that it should not be held and my reason therefor. This action seems to have had a salutary effect on all, as there were some lodges that were inclined to introduce entertainment features that were not in keeping with the spirit and dignity of Masonry, and since this event I have had little or no complaint. In July the deposed Master came to me and in a most contrite manner asked to be restored to the office of Worshipful Master, stating he had enlisted in the United States Army. He assured me that he was fully conscious of the fact that he had done an injustice to the institution of Masonry, and that in the future he would be careful not to violate the proprieties of Masonry or its laws, and I restored him to the office of Worshipful Master on July 31, 1917. The District Deputy Grand Master in charge of the lodge was present on the occasion of the restoration and his personal report to me would indicate that I had made no mistake in restoring the brother to office.

There has been in the past a practice prevalent in some of the larger lodges, particularly in the city of Chicago, of calling upon the candidates raised during the year to contribute a certain amount of money to a fund to be used in purchasing a gift for the Master. Knowing this to be the practice I issued an order to the Worshipful Masters of the lodges in Cook County, to the effect that they were not to permit any money to be collected in their lodges for any purpose whatever, and particularly for the purpose of buying a gift for the Master. I further ordered that Masters were not to accept any gift purchased in this manner. When a candidate applies for the degrees in Masonry he is told that the fee is so much and no more, and it is not only an injustice to call upon him to contribute an additional sum, but in many instances he has no particular inclination to



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buy the Master or anyone else a present. This question was brought to my attention by a number of brethren who had been called upon to contribute, and who felt that it was an injustice, and they were placed in the peculiar position of being odd, or perhaps were ignored or ostracized by their associates because of the fact that they did not contribute to this fund. In some of the lodges as much as ten ($10.00) dollars from each candidate has been exacted. A practice of this kind cannot but work harm in the institution. Assume for a moment that a brother fills the various stations and places from Junior Steward to that of Worshipful Master, and assume that it comes to his attention each year that the Master receives a gift, the value of which is based upon so much per capita of the candidates raised during the year, he knows when he becomes Master that at the end of his term he will receive a gift proportionate in value to the number of candidates raised. It stands to reason that a state of affairs of this kind will not be productive of good results, nor will it tend to protect the Institution in the carrying out of the safeguards laid down in the law, and it is a practice that should be prohibited. I learned that several of the Masters had accepted gifts purchased in this manner, and had taken the position that after they were out of office they could not be disciplined for this act, and in defence of this position they cited Code No. 1006. I am of the opinion that their conduct is a Masonic offence and have cited them to appear before the Appeals and Grievance Committee at this session of the Grand Lodge and show cause why they should not be punished for disobeying an order of the Grand Master.

I am of the further opinion that Code No. 1006 should be revised so that a brother can be made to answer to the Grand Lodge for official misconduct even after his term has expired.

Complaint reached me through the office of the Grand Master of Indiana that one * * * * had petitioned and received the degrees in Piper Lodge No. 608 A. F. & A. M. of Piper City, Illinois, without obtaining a Waiver of Jurisdiction from Knox Lodge No. 639 A. F. & A. M. located at Knox, Indiana, he having been rejected several times in the Indiana lodge. I immediately ordered an investigation, after which I directed the lodge to prefer charges against the brother and try him for unmasonic conduct. The trial was held, the brother was found guilty, and the punishment fixed at reprimand. The evidence contained three separate petitions to the Indiana Lodge, signed by the petitioner, and it likewise showed that he had wilfully misrepresented facts, and to my mind the least that a petitioner can do is to be honest in his representations when he knocks at the door of Masonry, and surely it is winking at the law to only reprimand a brother for an offence of this magnitude. Immediately upon being advised of the action of the lodge I set the verdict aside, ordered a transcript of the evidence forwarded to me, and directed that the case go to the Appeals and Grievance Committee of this Grand Lodge for final adjudication.

Bro. * * * * was rejected in America Lodge No. 889 A. F. & A. M. in 1913, and he petitioned Lakeside Lodge No. 739 A. F. & A. M. in 1915, and was elected and received the degrees. In his petition to Lakeside Lodge he failed to state he had ever petitioned a lodge for the degrees in Masonry, in fact, signed the petition in which it appears the statement "I have never previously petitioned any lodge for the degrees in Masonry." Charges were presented in Lakeside Lodge, specifying that the above had fraudulently petitioned for the degrees in Lakeside Lodge in violation of Code No. 460, and further specified that he failed to state in the petition to Lakeside Lodge that he had ever petitioned America Lodge No. 889 A.F. & A.M. for the degrees in Masonry, and further, that in answer to the question propounded by the Secretary, "Have you ever before petitioned a lodge of Ancient Free & Accepted Masons for the degrees," he answered "No," which was an untruth.

The case was heard in Lakeside Lodge on February 28, 1917, where the testimony of numerous witnesses was heard, and where the accused testified that he filled out and signed the petition to Lakeside Lodge and failed to answer the question as to whether he had ever petitioned a lodge for the degrees in Masonry, but admitted that he made check marks after this question, showing clearly that he saw it. His memory failed to serve him as to how he answered the question propounded by the Secretary as to whether he had ever petitioned a lodge before.

The evidence submitted clearly shows that the accused was guilty and the lodge voted him "not guilty." I therefore directed that this case should go to the Appeals and Grievance Committee for final adjudication. As I have said before, I am thoroughly convinced that the least that can be expected of a petitioner is that he shall come to our lodges with honest representations.

Hope Lodge No. 162, Sparta, tried a brother for unmasonic conduct on September 21, 1917, and found him guilty but failed to inflict any punishment. Code No. 816 provides that a lodge shall be disciplined for failure to inflict punishment proportionate to the offence committed, after due trial has been held and the accused is found guilty. This case came to my attention so late that it was impossible for me to have all of the facts before me in order to give it due consideration, and as I am about to retire from office I would recommend that it go before the Committee on Appeals and Grievances for their consideration and action.

Information reached me through the regional Grand Lodge officer, Brother Dan G. Fitzgerrell, and the District Deputy Grand Master of the forty-fifth district, that the Worshipful Master of Jefferson Lodge No. 368 A. F. & A. M. located at Opdyke, Illinois, had initiated a candidate who had been objected to by several brethren. I immediately ordered the lodge not

to confer any further degrees upon the candidate and had a thorough investigation made. This investigation developed the fact that the Master was wholly unfit to fill the office. He frankly admitted the irregularity and offered no excuse for having committed this breach of the law. I issued my proxy to Brother Austin H. Scrogin, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, who attended a meeting of the lodge on September 12, 1917, the membership having been given notice that he would be present and would act as my proxy to adjust matters. After entering into a full discussion of the case the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master deposed the Master from office and placed the lodge in charge of the Senior Warden. With reference to the candidate who had been illegally initiated, it was ordered that no further degrees should be conferred upon him except upon a favourable unanimous secret ballot to be taken at a meeting at which all of the resident members of the lodge had timely notice.

### Club Rooms

The question of Club Rooms in connection with Masonic Lodges and Masonic Temples is one that has annoyed several of my predecessors, and will continue to annoy Grand Masters unless there is a rule laid down and placed where it is accessible to the craft. In 1915 the Grand Master reported a recommendation with reference to this question, which went before the Committee on Jurisprudence and the same was approved by them and the Grand Lodge, which is as follows:

"The question submitted was whether a lodge might lawfully provide and maintain, in apartments adjoining its place of meeting, so-called Club Rooms, or a place where the members of the lodge might spend leisure hours in reading or in the enjoyment of games or other amusements in themselves unobjectionable.

I decided that if such places, conducted within reasonable limitations, were closed during all sessions of the lodge and only such rooms as were used as reading rooms were permitted to be opened on Sunday that a lodge might lawfully maintain such apartments,"

and which appears in the Proceedings of 1915, on page 19, the approval of the Jurisprudence Committee being found on page 98, and not elsewhere.

This decision, if it is to be the rule in this Grand Jurisdiction with reference to this subject, should be published in the Code or some other accessible place and not lie hidden in the Proceedings. Regrettable as it may be, it is nevertheless true that the Proceedings of our Grand Lodge are read by a limited few only, and it does not seem to me that it is incumbent upon a Mason to search the Proceedings for the law, or for rules or decisions with reference to matters of common interest. My experience makes me believe that there is some doubt as to whether the rule approved by this Grand Lodge in 1915, is a good one and should be enforced. It is truthfully said that it is difficult indeed for a Masonic lodge to be successfully conducted against

a counter attraction situated in the same building, and a Club Room becomes a decided counter attraction for a certain class of our membership. However, we fathers feel much more secure with reference to our young men if we know that they are in the habit of frequenting Club Rooms approved by the Masonic Fraternity rather than the Club Rooms usually found about our cities.

During the past year a Masonic Temple was built in the city of Chicago and in it provision was made for a Club Room with billard and pool tables, card tables, reading room and other kinds of amusement, and the brethren who promoted this building acted in every way conscientiously, and as far as they knew, completely in accord with the law and rules of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. True enough, they did not search the Proceedings of 1915, and to my mind they were not expected to, but after the Temple was completed and the Club Rooms were in operation the situation was brought to my attention and there was nothing for me to do but to enforce the rule. In financing their building and making provision for its operation, these brethren figured a certain income from their Club Rooms, and the taking away of this income from them worked a decided hardship.

The rule laid down in 1915 is one that will apply very well indeed where there is but one lodge meeting in the building, but in the city of Chicago there are a number of Masonic Temples where there is a lodge meeting every night and the present rule prohibits the operation of a Club Room in such a building.

I realize that this question is one that needs very careful consideration and am frank to confess that if I were called upon to decide at this moment, and incidentally I have given considerable thought to this topic, I would be at a loss to know what the rule should be. I shall therefore recommend that the rule laid down in 1915 be repealed and that a committee of five be appointed to consider this question and to have open meetings, and invite some of the interested brethren to appear before them, giving them an opportunity to be heard in full upon the question, and to make a recommendation to this Grand Lodge at its next annual meeting.

### Information Bureaus

To provide for the necessary service in order that the fraternity of the various jurisdictions, as well as of our own, might be in close touch with their members at the various concentration points, I have had Information Bureaus established with the following brethren in charge:

Camp Grant located near Rockford, Illinois, Brother John T. Buckbee, Rockford, Illinois.

Chanute Field located near Rantoul, Illinois, Brother Glenn Robinson. Rantoul, Illinois.

Camps Lincoln and Lowden located near Springfield, Illinois, Brother C. W. Bolmhorst, Springfield, Illinois.

Aviation Camp at Belleville, Illinois, Brother Richard Aver, Belleville, Illinois.

Fort Sheridan located at Fort Sheridan, Illinois. Brother John Hay, Highland Park, Illinois.

Great Lakes Naval Training Station located at Great Lakes, Illinois, Brother William E. Sayle, Waukegan, Illinois.

These brethren have volunteered their services and will furnish information with reference to any of the brethren that may be located in these camps. In the event that a member of a lodge is sick they will be glad indeed to look after him and render him any and all assistance possible.

There has been no fund provided to extend financial assistance and in my belief the lodge to which the member belongs should provide money, where he needs any financial help. Notice of the appointment of these Information Bureaus has been sent to the various jurisdictions and is a return courtesy to quite a number of the jurisdictions, they having made provision for the same kind of service. The fraternity must bear in mind that these brethren who are in charge of this work are giving their time and efforts without hope of fee or reward and the craft must remember that every consideration should be extended to them. The lodges and the members thereof should not feel that their duty toward their members in the service is completed until everything possible has been done to assist them in the noble and patriotic service that they have undertaken, and by way of suggestion in this matter I herewith present some recommendations that were adopted at the biennial meeting of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, held in Omaha, Nebraska, on September 25th to 27th, 1917. I had the honor to be a member of the committee that presented these recommendations and at this time wish to acknowledge credit to Bro. Louis H. Fead, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Michigan, who drew them. The Association expects to forward this recommendation to the forty-six Grand Lodges that are affiliated with it, and likewise to eleven thousand lodges:

"Occupying for centuries a commanding position in human affairs, having a great influence in the uplift of mankind, strong in its protestations and demonstrations of fraternal love and equal rights, subjected to the most intense antagonism and enmities, Masonry has drawn to itself the notice of all the world.

Error which in a lesser institution would pass unremarked is, in Masonry, in the opinion of a multitude of men, guilt or selfish indifference.

It is not a matter of regret but of infinite pride that the standards set by our brethren of former times are so lofty and the splendid character of our institution is so universally recognized that the world looks to us for great things, done as though they were common, and considers as failure in us what would be hailed as success in others.

The war has imposed upon Masonry great duties and obligations, to measure up to which is a great privilege. The world is watching to see how the institution will meet its problems. The fraternity is on trial. Now is the time to demonstrate to all men that Masonry is a living thing, not a matter of euphonious platitudes, sounding words without meaning, but a strong, vibrant virile institution worthy the confidence and respect of a full grown man.

Each Grand Lodge has its own peculiar problems. It must direct its activities in a broad way, touching Masons largely in the mass, and offering the opportunity for service on the part of the lodges and brethren. From the very nature of its organization and its limitations, it can come but little into intimate contact with the soldier Masons and those they leave behind.

The grave responsibility and the great opportunity fall to the lodges themselves. As they perform, or neglect to perform, their obligations to the brethren who offer their lives for the security of civilization, so will Masonry be esteemed or scorned. The real and intimate work of the institution, the personal touch, that most important and satisfying manifestation of Masonic love, can come only from the lodges and the individual Masons. To them is offered the opportunity for work and service which must gladden the heart of every man who is indeed a Mason. Each lodge must and should be glad to care for its own members in that personal relationship which neither Grand Lodge nor any other organization can reach.

First. Each lodge should enthusiastically and energetically support the plans presented by its own Grand Lodge or Grand Master for the performance of the broader features of Masonic war work.

Second. Each lodge should keep a complete record of every member enlisted in war service, with a history of such service and of all the immediate family and dependents of the brother. And should it happen that the brother fall on the field of battle, to rise no more in body, it is recommended that his record be entered permanently in the minutes of his lodge, with the honorable mention that he died that civilization and democracy might live. The form following is suggested.

1. Name, age, residence and occupation of the brother.
2. All lodge and church affiliations.
3. Names and residences of father, mother, brothers and sisters.
4. Immediate family and dependents, if any, and their residences.
5. Military rank and record of the brother, showing successive promotions, if any.
6. Location from time to time in war service.
7. Matters left by him in charge of the lodge.
8. General remarks.

Third. As many brethren have no male relatives to whom they may leave the care of business affairs, such, for instance, as the payment of taxes, insurance, rent, interest, etc., or to whom the wife or mother can turn for advice and counsel, each lodge should appoint a committee to look after such things as may be requested by the brother, that his mind may be at ease in the knowledge that his going will not leave his business affairs neglected and his loved ones helpless or friendless.

Fourth. The officers in the army and navy all agree that the most valuable thing that the people back home can do for the man in the service

is to frequently write him bright, chatty, gossipy letters, not filled with regret or sentimentality, but the unconstrained letter of friend to friend or chum to chum. Every lodge should appoint members to carry on such a correspondence with their brethren, that they may not feel themselves forgotten. Once in a while, let the lodge write that a bouquet of flowers has been sent to the wife or a plaything given to the baby as the expression of a real love of brother for brother. And once in a while, a box of tokens, books, magazines, tobacco, home-made edibles, or other little things will cause the soldier, in the silent watches of the night on guard, to thank the stars twinkling above his head, and their Maker, that his Masonry has brought him brothers.

Fifth. The greatest curse of camp life is the dissipation which presents itself with fatal fascination in hours of leisure. Disease, horrible disease, takes a fearful toll. Wholesome amusement for the time off duty is imperative if the soldier is to come back clean in body and decent in mind. Every lodge and member should generously contribute money for such entertainment. And if there is no Masonic organization having such matters in charge near the camp where the brother is located, money should be offered to the lodge or other Masonic agency nearest the camp for the purpose of entertainment. A lodge located adjacent to a cantonment or camp should provide the opportunity for such entertainment. But a lodge which seeks to provide such entertainment cannot and ought not to be expected to bear the burden of the expense. The lodges whose members are so entertained are entitled to and ought to pay the cost.

Sixth. Take care of the dependents. See that those whom the brother leaves behind are not in want. Comfort those who mourn. Plant smiles where tears had been. Be a Masonic Lodge.

Seventh. As the future will bring its greater responsibilities in the care of brethren wounded and shattered and those dependent upon them, it is urged that each lodge establish a special fund for that purpose in which the generous brethren may deposit their voluntary contributions from time to time, that the burdens of the future may be met by the preparation of the present.

Eighth. As each lodge will also have its special problems, let all the brethren energetically seek their solution. Upon the manner in which each lodge performs its duties will depend the standing of Masonry in that community. Let each lodge resolve, and with determination bring to pass, that, when the war is over, Masonry in its jurisdiction will stand more respected than ever, and the world at large convinced, beyond all question, of its good effects.''

I believe it would be beneficial to Masonry to have the above suggestions brought to the attention of every lodge and would therefore recommend that a copy of this outline be mailed to each and every lodge in the state with an order from the Grand Master that the same be read at the next stated meeting, and that accompanying the same there be a recommendation that the lodges act on the suggestions contained therein.

### Military Lodges

I have been approached by a number of brethren with reference to granting dispensations for lodges to be known as Military Lodges and to be

operated in connection with some military organization or unit. There is nothing in our law that permits a Grand Master to grant such a dispensation and I so advised the brethren who came to me in this regard. Some of these brethren wanted a dispensation for a lodge to have all the powers of the lodges now in existence, that is, to transact the ordinary business of a lodge, receive and act upon petitions, and confer the degrees. Others wanted to organize for the purpose of transacting the ordinary business of a lodge but without acquiring any jurisdiction over candidates for the degrees. It was their desire to have an organization where they would enjoy the fraternity and good fellowship of meeting together, and to confer degrees upon candidates who had been elected in regular lodges, this work to be done only upon request coming from the mother lodge through the proper channels.

To my mind there is some doubt as to whether there is any necessity whatever for lodges in connection with the military or naval activities of this government. With reference to the question of lodges of this kind having jurisdiction to receive and act upon petitions, I am of the firm belief that this should not be permitted by any jurisdiction, and I am sure that if a lodge holding a charter of this character from some other jurisdiction should invade Illinois, by holding meetings within its jurisdiction and receive and act upon petitions, this Grand Lodge would resent it, and I cannot understand how any Grand Lodge could defend such action. Lodges organized without any jurisdictional rights would of course be much less objectionable, but the opportunity for supervision over lodges of this kind is very limited and it has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of all that the method of observation now in vogue in Illinois has a very beneficial effect and I am of the opinion that there is danger in granting dispensations or charters to lodges situated so that there can be no supervision. All of this is from a Masonic point of view.

From a military point of view the question arises as to whether organized institutions of this kind within the military or naval forces of the government would have a beneficial effect or not upon the discipline. I have given a great deal of thought to this question and have had considerable correspondence with Grand Masters of other jurisdictions and have come to the conclusion that there is no occasion for the granting of charters or dispensations for military lodges. If the members of the fraternity located in a particular camp, regiment, fort, on board a battleship or at some training camp, believe that it would be desirable to have a Masonic organization, they can, if permitted to do so by the military authorities, organize a club, which to my mind will serve all of the purposes of a lodge.

### Special Dispensations.

A great many applications have been made to me for dispensations to receive and act upon petitions and confer the degrees in less than the con-



LAWNDALE MASONIC TEMPLE
Dedicated October 16, 1915



MAYWOOD MASONIC TEMPLE
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stitutional length of time. All of these have come to my attention since war was declared and it is astonishing indeed to observe how quickly the minds of men turn toward our Institution when called upon to enter into the service of their country. The safeguards of Masonry are none too great when the law is complied with in detail, and I have not felt that any of the cases presented were of such an emergent character that I was justified in setting the law to one side and permitting the receiving and acting upon petitions or the conferring of the degrees except in the manner provided in our Constitution and By-laws. I have urged upon the brethren in every instance the necessity for safeguarding the Institution, and have suggested to them that they receive and act upon petitions in the regular manner and if the petitioner was elected and had left their jurisdiction, to request some lodge in the immediate vicinity of the place where he was stationed, to confer the degrees. I am pleased indeed to report that the craft has accepted my suggestions without complaint and not a single instance has come to my attention where this rule has been a hardship.

In one instance I granted a dispensation to a lodge to receive the petition of a young man under twenty-one years of age, who had enlisted in the government service, but this was with the distinct understanding that he would attain his majority before the time would arrive to ballot upon the petition.

In a few instances I have granted dispensations to receive and act upon petitions of residents of Illinois, waiving the requirement that the petitioner shall have resided for six months within the territorial jurisdiction of the lodge. These of course were in cases of emergency where the men were engaged in the service of the government. On no occasion have I granted dispensation of this kind where the person was a resident of another state or jurisdiction.

Where dispensations have been asked for to confer the Fellow Craft and Master Mason degrees on the same date, or in less than the required length of time, I have urged upon the brethren the thought that the candidate was entitled to know something about Masonry and that if they would devote special attention to him and instruct him in the work, they could confer the degrees upon him in a very short space of time by calling special meetings. To this suggestion I am proud to say I have had ready response.

### Relief of Members Abroad

The greatest problem that the Masons have to solve, in my judgment, is how to care for the brethren who are in the service upon foreign soil. Some of the jurisdictions have made provision for funds for this purpose, and in some instances have gone so far as to suggest the thought that the several jurisdictions might enter upon relief work of this kind collectively. I am of the opinion that the handling of this work should be undertaken by

a committee composed of or representing all of the jurisdictions that have men in the service abroad, and with this end in view I recommend that a sum not less than ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars, be placed at the disposal of the Grand Master to be disbursed by him with the consent of an Advisory Council or Board, either independently or in connection with other Grand Jurisdictions, for the benefit of Masons in the service of the government who are stationed on foreign soil, and that the Grand Master issue a call to all of the lodges for a contribution of not less than one ($1.00) dollar per capita on their membership, and that the money so contributed shall be used for the same purpose as stated above.

I would further recommend that the Grand Master enter into correspondence with the various Grand Jurisdictions urging them to unite and form a committee to handle Masonic relief work abroad.

### Remission of Dues

Shortly after war was declared and the men began to concentrate at the various forts, armories, cantonments, etc., word reached my office that some of the lodges were passing resolutions remitting the dues of all of their members that entered into the service of the government for such time as they should remain in the service. In each and every instance that came to my official attention I advised the lodge that such action is null and void because it is in conflict with the By-laws of the Grand Lodge. Codes Nos. 946, 947 and 948 are very explicit on this question and to my mind need no change. Resolutions such as these practically force brethren to be objects of charity, and in my judgment action of this kind would be resented by a great many. The mere fact that a brother is in the service of his country is no reason why he should be deprived of the privilege of contributing to the support of his lodge and in so doing assist the "distressed worthy brother, his widow and orphans." There is little doubt but what the lodges will be called upon to pay out considerable sums of money to relieve the distress, arising as a result of the war, and a goodly amount of this will undoubtedly be for the relief of the brothers themselves. Some attention will have to be paid to the dependents of our brethren, but as I view the question those of our membership who are in the service will take a great deal of delight in contributing to the support of the lodge with the consciousness that by so doing they will be assisting their brothers in arms. This question is one that should be handled by treating each case separately and upon its merits. During the period of the war, if my vote would prevent it, I would not permit a brother to be suspended from my lodge for non-payment of dues so long as he was in the service of his country.

### Conservation

The extravagance in some of our lodges is so great that I feel it is a matter that should be brought to the attention of this Grand Lodge. I called

upon the lodges of Cook County to furnish me their annual statements for 1915, and from them compiled some figures. These figures show that between twenty-five and thirty percent of the income of these lodges was spent for entertainment, refreshments and cigars. In ordinary times this would be considered very extravagant.

At the Chicago School of Instruction held in March of this year I discussed the question of extravagance with the Masters of the Cook County lodges and am of the opinion that the lodges have been a little more careful in this regard than they were. At the present time lodges, as well as individuals, should conserve their resources and be prepared for what we are certain that the future will bring forth. It is not my idea that the lodges should eliminate all social activity but they should be very careful and conservative in the expenditure of money for entertainment and refreshments at this time. Our young men are offering their life's blood to preserve our nation and it is a very small sacrifice indeed for us to limit ourselves in the indulgence of our desires and appetites so that we may be prepared to render every assistance to those of our members who are serving the nation, and likewise be prepared to care for their dependents. The lodges can well use money for the purpose of providing entertainment for the young men who are in the forts, camps, training stations and cantonments, instead of for those who have every luxury of a home. In some Grand Jurisdictions lodges are not allowed to spend any money for refreshments, etc. In others this expenditure is limited to a certain percentage of the income, and it would seem to me that it is worth while for this Grand Lodge to consider the question of placing a limitation upon the amount of money that a lodge may spend in this manner, especially while the war lasts. I would therefore recommend that this question be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence to report at this Grand Lodge.

### Liberty Loan

At the time that our government called upon the people to purchase bonds known as the "Liberty Loan," I took up the question of the investment of some of the funds of the Grand Lodge with the Finance Committee and Grand Treasurer, and we arrived at the decision that the Grand Lodge had twenty-five thousand ($25,000.00) dollars available and that we could do no better than to make an investment in these bonds, and by so doing believe that we placed your money in the most secure investment possible, and at the same time assisted the government in a small way.

The government has just issued another call for support from the people and I consider it our duty to demonstrate that we stand ready and willing to assist and that we are what we profess to be, truly patriotic American citizens. I would therefore recommend that an additional twenty-five thousand ($25,000.00) dollars be invested in the new "Liberty Loan." I further

recommend that lodges invest any surplus money they have on hand in these bonds. There is no investment more secure and the interest rate is a good one.

### Two Lodges Lose Their Three Principal Officers

In the early part of September, 1917, Bro. George O. Freeman, Worshipful Master of Geneva Lodge No. 139 A. F. & A. M., located at Geneva, Illinois, came to me and advised me that both the Senior and Junior Wardens of the lodge had enlisted in the service of the government and had left the jurisdiction of the lodge. He also informed me that he had been drafted and would be obliged to leave the jurisdiction of the lodge on September 20, 1917.

This is a condition of affairs that I am inclined to believe was not contemplated by the makers of our law, and the only law that I could find that could be made to apply, was Code No. 599, which reads as follows: "In case a Master or Warden * * * has permanently removed from its jurisdiction, the lodge may certify the fact to the Grand Master, who in his discretion may declare a vacancy or grant a dispensation authorizing the resignation or demit and order an election to fill the vacancy." It could hardly be contended that the Wardens of this lodge had permanently removed from its jurisdiction, but so far as their being of service to the lodge is concerned, they had, and I construed their being in the service of the government to have the same force and effect, and in accordance with this Code I declared the offices of Senior and Junior Wardens vacant. I granted the lodge a dispensation permitting it to accept the resignation of the Worshipful Master. My order declaring the offices of Senior and Junior Wardens vacant was received by the lodge at their stated meeting on September 18, 1917, and at this same meeting the lodge accepted the resignation of the Worshipful Master. I then ordered that a special election be held at the stated meeting on October 2, 1917, and issued my proxy to Bro. C. F. Wm. Schultz to open the lodge and officiate at this election. A Past Master was elected to the office of Worshipful Master and the Master and Wardens were installed on the same evening.

On September 25, 1917, I received a letter from the Secretary of Wenona Lodge No. 344 A. F. & A. M. located at Wenona, Illinois, advising me that the Worshipful Master and Senior Warden of the lodge had entered the service of the government and had left the jurisdiction of the lodge, and that the Junior Warden had accepted a position in another city and had permanently removed from the jurisdiction of the lodge. I immediately declared the offices of Worshipful Master and Senior and Junior Wardens vacant and issued my proxy to Bro. Chas. W. Coker, R. W. District Deputy Grand Master of the district in which the lodge is located, to go to Wenona and hold a special election to fill the vacancies thus created. This election was held on October 4, 1917, and these officers were installed on the same date.

### The Flag

It is easy to be a sunshine patriot, but the real test of a citizen's loyalty comes when the nation's bark is laboring before the storm. The ceremony for presenting and displaying the flag of our country in the East of our lodges, which, with my approval, has been exemplified by the Board of Grand Examiners at each of the Schools of Instruction, and which has been almost universally taken up and practised by the lodges of our jurisdiction, has, to-day, even a greater significance than when it was first suggested. Masonry has never recognized anything short of the highest standards of loyalty as consistent with its principles. We are not more loyal to-day, but more is expected of loyalty. Our nation's need is our opportunity to express in deeds the loyalty which we have always felt. It is therefore particularly fitting that the symbol of loyalty and patriotism,—the flag of our country, should at our every meeting be presented with appropriate ceremonies and placed and displayed in a position of honor, so that it may be an ever present reminder of the proud heritage of American citizenship and of the privilege of faithfully performing the duties which it implies; and that it may inspire us to put forth the best there is within us in the performance of public duty as well as in private thinking and conduct. I would therefore recommend that the ceremony of receiving the flag in the lodges as exemplified by the Board of Grand Examiners, be made a part of the opening ceremony and that lodges be required to practise it.

### Interpretation of the Law

A petition was received by a lodge and before the time arrived for the ballot to be spread the petitioner permanently removed to another jurisdiction and I was asked as to whether the lodge should ballot upon the petition or not. I decided that Code No. 478 should be construed to cover such a case and directed that the petition and the fee should be returned and the record made to show that no action was taken because of the fact that the lodge did not have jurisdiction.

The following case was presented for consideration: On November 29, 1916, Mr. ————, residing in Evanston, Illinois, but in the jurisdiction of Wilmette Lodge No. 931 A. F. & A. M., presented his petition to Wayfarers Lodge No. 1001 A. F. & A. M., located in Evanston, Illinois, setting forth therein that he had been previously rejected by Edgewater Lodge No. 901 A. F. & A. M., located in Chicago. Wayfarers Lodge requested a waiver of personal jurisdiction from Edgewater Lodge, and the same was granted. They then requested waiver of territorial jurisdiction from Wilmette Lodge, and it was denied. The petitioner then desired to petition Wilmette Lodge and the question asked was as to whether Edgewater or Wayfarers Lodge held personal jurisdiction. It was held that the action of Wayfarers Lodge in requesting waiver of personal jurisdiction before obtaining territorial

jurisdiction, was in error, and that the action of Edgewater Lodge in waiving personal jurisdiction, was null and void, Edgewater Lodge still retaining personal jurisdiction.

### Re-Districting the State

Code No. 69 provides that upon recommendation of the Grand Master, confirmed by the Grand Lodge, the districts of the state may be changed at any annual meeting. Complaints have been made for a good many years by various District Deputy Grand Masters that the territory they were obliged to cover was so large, and in many instances lodges so inaccessible, that it was a great hardship to keep the lodges under supervision. In the city of Chicago the number of lodges has increased to such an extent that each District Deputy Grand Master has between twenty and twenty-five lodges, and for the past few years we have been adding on an average of ten each year in Cook County.

As I have stated in another portion of this report, I am thoroughly convinced that visitations by Grand Lodge officers, which includes the District Deputy Grand Masters, are of material benefit to the lodges, and I am confident that if we had a larger number of districts so arranged that the lodges were convenient to the District Deputy Grand Masters, it would be of material benefit to the Institution. I have had a redistribution of the state made providing for eighty districts outside of Cook County, and twenty in Cook County, and I heartily recommend that this apportionment be adopted by this Grand Lodge. The arrangements of the districts will be presented to you on printed forms.

### Legal Investigations

From time to time wills are made and in them there are bequests for the benefit of the Masonic Homes, some of which bear fruit and others do not. As these matters come to the attention of the Grand Master it is necessary that an investigation be made and in some instances certain legal procedure is necessary in order to protect the interests of the Grand Lodge. During the year I have been obliged to have legal advice with reference to the estates of George H. Glover, Chas. C. Bishop, Wm. Smith, and Frank O. and Eleanor Rolfe. In that of the Chas. C. Bishop Estate it was necessary to enter into litigation with reference to the amount of money demanded by the attorneys for the executor of the will. The legal work in these matters has been handled by Bro. Harvey T. Fletcher and his fees for services rendered have been approved by the Finance Committee and paid.

### Trials by Commission

The provision of the law which permits the trial of Masonic offences by a Commission appointed by the Grand Master is, to my mind, the best

method of adjudicating Masonic offences that has ever been devised in the State of Illinois, and during the past year the lodges have taken advantage of this provision, and as best I am informed a majority of the cases have been tried in this manner. Nearly one-half of the Masonic population of Illinois, is in Chicago, and there are approximately 170 lodges in concurrent jurisdiction in the city and naturally a comparatively large percentage of the Masonic trials are in Chicago. The law provides that the Grand Master shall appoint a Commission consisting of three disinterested brethren, members of lodges in Illinois, and residing outside of the jurisdiction of the lodge interested; hence the Grand Master, under the law, must go outside of the city for members of a Commission to try cases in the lodges located in the city. The intention of this law is that the Commission shall consist of disinterested brethren, and it is not necessary in the trial of cases in Chicago to go outside of the jurisdiction to find disinterested brethren. The law as it now stands throws an unnecessary burden of expense upon the Chicago lodges having trials, and it likewise throws a burden upon brethren near the city who are competent to perform this duty, because a Grand Master does not feel that he should bring brethren a considerable distance to hear these cases. In other questions an exception is made in the law with reference to Cook County: for instance, the fees for the degrees are higher than in any other locality; again, in the formation of new lodges a very decided exception is made in Cook County, and it appears there is fully as great an occasion for an exception in the law providing for the appointment of Trial Commissions as there is in either the formation of a new lodge, or the fees for the degrees. An amendment to Code No. 866 will be submitted by the Committee on New Legislation and I have no hesitancy whatever in recommending that it be passed under the immediate amendment clause of the constitution contained in Code No. 86.

### Cipher Rituals

My attention was called to the fact that two different publishing companies in New York city were circularizing the lodges in our state, advertising a cipher ritual. I immediately issued an edict calling attention to the rule that is in force in this jurisdiction with reference to the use of rituals, copy of which will be found in the detailed report of the Grand Master's office. This edict provoked a brother to write me a letter which clearly indicated to me that he was in possession of one of the books,—in fact, he made the broad statement that I "and other Grand Lodge officers studied these time and again," and "that the brightest Masons in all our lodges are men who sleep with a cipher under their pillow." I considered the situation serious enough to give it my personal attention and taking with me the R. W. Grand Secretary and the District Deputy Grand Master of the district in which the lodge is located, made a visit to the town where the brother is located and found that the prohibited ritual was in comparatively

common use. I felt that it was better to give the lodge an opportunity to correct the evil themselves, and directed that they take up all of the cipher rituals in use in the lodge and turn them over to me. While there I obtained a ritual from the brother who wrote me the letter, and later on I received eight copies from the Secretary of the lodge. I am thoroughly convinced that the brother who wrote me the letter felt that he was stating a fact when he said that all Grand Lodge officers used them, and that it is a matter of ignorance on the part of the membership who use these rituals, that leads them astray. I am confident that an intimate acquaintance with Grand Lodge officers, and a more careful supervision by District Deputy Grand Masters will uproot this evil. I am recommending in my report that the state be divided into a greater number of districts in order that the lodges may receive more careful attention.

### A Disclaimer

In certain Masonic publications there have appeared from time to time articles attacking a certain church or religion. It is a well known fact among Masons that these articles are an expression of the views of the individual writer, and that the Masonic Fraternity is in no way responsible for these utterances. The general public in many instances are of the impression that these publications are official and that what appears therein is an expression from the entire Fraternity. Masonry is pro-religious, not anti-religious, and I feel called upon to disclaim for the Grand Lodge, the lodges and the Masons, any responsibility or connection whatever with the anti-religious expressions which have appeared, or which may appear in the future in any Masonic publication in Illinois.

### Conclusion

One cannot hold the position I have occupied for the past two years and leave it without regret. The work when done in connection with an active business is, of necessity, arduous, but at the same time most fascinating, and the compensation one receives from the friendships formed is so great that there is no method of computing it. Another source of income is the self-education that one receives from the experience of associating with men in the manner that he is obliged to, and having an opportunity of seeing and knowing the wonderful qualities with which mankind is possessed. I am more than appreciative of the fact that I have been most signally honored and know of no more forceful manner to express my feelings than to say that I thank you over and over again. To each and every member of the fraternity with whom I have come in contact I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the uniform support that I have received from them.



OLNEY MASONIC TEMPLE
Dedicated September 10, 1917



DANVILLE MASONIC TEMPLE
Dedicated April 10, 1917

To the officers of the Grand Lodge, and the members of the various committees, I am under deep and lasting obligations for the unlimited and unselfish assistance that they have given me.

To the District Deputy Grand Masters I can say that each district in the State of Illinois has been under the guidance of a special Grand Master, competent in every respect to fill the exalted station that I am about to leave, and to them I wish to express my thanks.

If in the conduct of the affairs of the Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois during the past two years there has been anything accomplished of a material nature, it is due to the fact that all of the brethren have concentrated their efforts toward the fulfillment of the Masonic ideal.

The report of the Grand Master was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Report.

Official papers and other documents appertaining to the Grand Master's report will be found in the Appendix.

## REPORT—Grand Treasurer.

Bro. Leroy A. Goddard, Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer, presented his report and asked that it be referred to the Committee on Finance. It was so referred.

LEROY A. GODDARD, *Grand Treasurer,*
*In account with M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M. of Illinois.*

GENERAL FUND.

DEBIT.

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| 1916. | | | |
| Oct. | 6 | Balance on hand as per last report | $ 87,168.67 |
| 1917. | | | |
| Mar. | 1 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | $ 5,000.00 |
| July | 2 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 3,000.00 |
| July | 6 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 5,000.00 |
| July | 10 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 |
| July | 23 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 30,000.00 |
| July | 30 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 |

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| Aug. 2 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 | |
| Aug. 16 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 | |
| Sept. 4 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 14,000.00 | |
| Sept. 29 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 3,322.93 | |
| Oct. 1 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10.65 | 100,333.58 |
| | Total | | $187,502.25 |

CREDIT.

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| By mileage and per diem paid officers and committees since last report, as per vouchers returned herewith | $ 4,081.10 | |
| By mileage and per diem paid representatives since last report, as per vouchers returned herewith | 17,276.51 | |
| By miscellaneous vouchers paid since last report, as per vouchers herewith numbers: 853, 24, 125 to 138, 140 to 149, 155 to 176, 180 to 197, 201, 202, 204 to 224, 228 to 243, 247 to 267, 271 to 273, 275 to 303, 307 to 317, 321 to 340, 345 to 364, 368 to 398, 402 to 413, 417, 418, 420 to 430, 432 to 439, 441 to 443, 445 to 447, all inclusive | 73,648.46 | |
| By salaries paid grand officers since last report, as per vouchers returned herewith, numbers: 152 to 154, 177 to 179, 198 to 200, 203, 225 to 227, 244 to 246, 268 to 270, 274, 304 to 306, 318 to 320, 341 to 344, 365 to 367, 399 to 401, 414 to 416, 419, all inclusive | 7,100.00 | |
| | | $102,106.07 |
| Oct. 6, 1917 Balance on hand | | $ 85,396.18 |
| Total | | $187,502.25 |

CHARITY FUND.

DEBIT.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1916. | | | |
| Oct. 6 | Balance on hand as per last report | | $ 64,109.40 |
| Nov. 21 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | $ 5,904.09 | |
| Dec. 30 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 5,300.00 | |
| 1917. | | | |
| May 7 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 3,000.00 | |

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| May 14 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 | |
| May 20 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 3,000.00 | |
| June 1 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 | |
| July 6 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 | |
| July 10 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 | |
| July 23 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 20,000.00 | |
| July 30 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 5,000.00 | |
| Aug. 2 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 | |
| Aug. 16 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 10,000.00 | |
| Sept. 4 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 5,000.00 | |
| Sept. 29 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 13,706.21 | |
| Oct. 1 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | 1.35 | 120,911.65 |
| | Total | | $185,021.25 |

CREDIT.

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|---|---|---|
| | By vouchers herewith paid since last report, numbers: 13 to 69, inclusive | $163,391.85 |
| Oct. 6, 1917 | Balance on hand | 21,629.20 |
| | | $185,021.05 |

PERMANENT FUND.

DEBIT.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1917. | | |
| Oct. 1 | From Isaac Cutter, R. W. Grand Secretary | $ 302.00 |

NO CREDITS.

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|---|---|---|
| Oct. 6, 1917 | Balance on hand | $ 302.00 |

In addition to the cash balances as reported, the most worshipful grand lodge owns the following securities, all of which are now in my possession as grand treasurer and are deposited in safety vault specifically designated as the property of the most worshipful grand lodge.

CHARITY FUND.

Certificate No. 203 for eight shares of stock of Masonic Temple Trust from National Lodge No. 596, defunct ..... $ 800.00

HOME FOR AGED FUND.

One Wabash Railroad Company first mortgage 4% gold bond, Toledo and Chicago Division, due March 1, 1941, interest March and September, numbered 1722, gift of Illinois Masonic Home for Aged, dissolved ..... $ 1,000.00

Seven City of Chicago Harbor Construction bonds, numbered 3531 to 3537, both inclusive, all due January 1, 1927, interest at 4%, January and July, for $1,000.00 each, gift of Masonic Home for Aged, dissolved ..... 7,000.00

$ 8,000.00

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.

Fifteen registered Illinois Central Railroad Company 4% gold bonds, due November 1, 1953, $1,000.00 each, numbered 7133 to 7144, both inclusive; 13060, 13086 and 13089; interest due May and November, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... $ 15,000.00

One County of Cook 4% Court House bond, due September 1, 1919, numbered 3265, interest March and September, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... 1,000.00

Ten Town of North Chicago 4% Lincoln Park bonds, due May 1, 1924, $1,000.00 each, numbered 401 to 410, both inclusive, interest May and November, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... 10,000.00

Eight Mattoon Township, Coles County, Illinois, 4% refunding bonds, due May 1, 1920, $1,000.00 each, numbered 30 to 37, both inclusive, interest May 1 annually, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... 8,000.00

Five Illinois Central Railroad 4% gold bonds, due April 1, 1952, $500.00 each, numbered 14218, 14219, 14220, 15418, 15592, interest April and October 1, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... 2,500.00

One County of Cook 4% Infirmary bond, Series J, due June 1, 1928, interest June and December 1, numbered 2293, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... 500.00

One County of Cook 4%, Infirmary bond, Series M, due June 1, 1929, interest June and December 1, numbered 794, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... 1,000.00

One City of Chicago Harbor Construction bond, numbered 4593, due July 1, 1932, interest January and July 1, $1,000.00, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... 1,000.00

Certificate No. 103 for 47 1-2 shares of the capital stock of Western Lime and Cement Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, bequest under will of Charles C. Bishop, deceased ..... 4,750.00

Certificate No. 57 for 204 shares of the capital stock of Union Lime Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, bequest under will of Charles C. Bishop, deceased ..... 20,400.00

Ten City of Chicago Harbor Construction bonds, numbered 4597 to 4606, both inclusive, all due July 1, 1932, interest January and July 1, for $1,000.00 each, bequest under will of Charles C. Bishop, deceased ..... 10,000.00

Ten County of Cook 4% Forest Preserve bonds, Series B, due September 1, 1932, $1,000.00 each, numbered 1654 to 1663, both inclusive, coupons due March and September, gift of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home ..... 10,000.00

$ 84,150.00

MASONIC HOME FUND.

One bond of City of Chicago (4% Police Department Building bond), due January 1, 1922, numbered D-108, coupons due January and July 1, bequest under will of Harry C. Hughes, deceased ..... $ 500.00

GENERAL FUND.

Four County of Cook Infirmary bonds, Series J, 4%, due June 1, 1926, interest payable June and December 1, for $1,000.00 each, Nos. 1478 to 1481, inclusive ..... $ 4,000.00

Ten bonds, Cook County Infirmary, Series M, 4%, due June 1, 1928, interest payable June and December 1, for $1,000.00 each, Nos. 716 to 725 inclusive ..... 10,000.00

Three bonds, County of Cook, Series 1, 4%, Court House bonds, due September 1, 1923, interest payable March and September first, for $1000.00 each, Nos. 4482 to 4484 inclusive 3,000.00

Two City of Cleveland, 5% bridge bonds, due April 1, 1925, interest payable April and October first, for $1000.00 each, Nos. 24803 and 24805 ..... 2,000.00

Five County Hospital 4% bonds, Series N, County of Cook, due July 1, 1930, interest payable January and July first, numbered 736 to 740 both inclusive ..... 5,000.00

Twenty County Hospital 4%, Series N, County of Cook bonds, due July 1, 1929, interest payable January and July first, numbered 676 to 694 both inclusive and 696 ..... 20,000.00

Twenty-five Health Department for construction of Municipal Garbage Reduction Works bonds of city of Chicago, due January 1, 1935, interest payable January and July first, for $1000.00 each, numbered M-471 to M-495 inclusive .... 25,000.00

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| Five Interim Certificates of United States of America, covering 15-30 year 3½% gold bonds, dated June 15, 1917, numbered 9398 and 8078 to 8081 inclusive, interest payable June and December in each year, for $5000.00 each..... | 25,000.00 |
| | $94,000.00 |

SUMMARY

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| Securities on hand, all funds..... | $187,450.00 |
| Cash on hand, all funds..... | 107,327.38 |
| Total Assets in Treasury..... | $294,777.38 |

Fraternally submitted,

L. A. GODDARD,
*Grand Treasurer.*

I hereby certify that at the close of business on October 6, 1917, the State Bank of Chicago held on deposit the following balance due the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Illinois: General Fund $85,396.18; Charity Fund $21,629.20; Permanent Fund $302.00; Total $107,327.38.

H. S. HENSCHEN,
*Cashier.*

## REPORT—Grand Secretary.

Bro. Isaac Cutter, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, presented his report, together with his cash book and ledger, and asked that they be referred to the Committee on Finance. They were so referred.

Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary, in account with the M. W. Grand Lodge of Illinois, A. F. & A. M.

DUES RECEIVED FROM LODGES.

| LODGES. | NO. | DUES. | LODGES. | NO. | DUES. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bodley | 1 | $337.00 | White Hall | 80 | $125.00 |
| Equality | 2 | 47.00 | Vitruvius | 81 | 87.00 |
| Harmony | 3 | 268.00 | DeWitt | 84 | 214.00 |
| Springfield | 4 | 294.00 | Mitchell | 85 | 117.00 |
| Friendship | 7 | 373.00 | Kaskaskia | 86 | 36.00 |
| Macon | 8 | 795.00 | Mt. Pulaski | 87 | 93.00 |
| Rushville | 9 | 131.00 | Havana | 88 | 130.00 |
| St. John | 13 | 149.00 | Fellowship | 89 | 147.00 |
| Warren | 14 | 58.00 | Jerusalem Temple | 90 | 471.00 |
| Peoria | 15 | 632.00 | Metropolis | 91 | 139.00 |
| Temperance | 16 | 116.00 | Stewart | 92 | 158.00 |
| Macomb | 17 | 197.00 | Toulon | 93 | 107.00 |
| Clinton | 19 | 178.00 | Perry | 95 | 57.00 |
| Hancock | 20 | 173.00 | Samuel H. Davis | 96 | 104.00 |
| Cass | 23 | 236.00 | Excelsior | 97 | 467.00 |
| St. Clair | 24 | 229.00 | Taylor | 98 | 114.00 |
| Franklin | 25 | 185.00 | Edwardsville | 99 | 178.00 |
| Piasa | 27 | 248.00 | Astoria | 100 | 95.00 |
| Pekin | 29 | 148.00 | Rockford | 102 | 703.00 |
| Mt. Vernon | 31 | 224.00 | Magnolia | 103 | 92.00 |
| Oriental | 33 | 622.00 | Lewistown | 104 | 105.00 |
| Barry | 34 | 112.00 | Winchester | 105 | 101.00 |
| Charleston | 35 | 233.00 | Lancaster | 106 | 137.00 |
| Kavanagh | 36 | 75.00 | Versailles | 108 | 58.00 |
| Monmouth | 37 | 251.00 | Trenton | 109 | 87.00 |
| Olive Branch | 38 | 531.00 | Lebanon | 110 | 57.00 |
| Herman | 39 | 175.00 | Jonesboro | 111 | 80.00 |
| Occidental | 40 | 315.00 | Robert Burns | 113 | 117.00 |
| Mt. Joliet | 42 | 646.00 | Marcelline | 114 | 59.00 |
| Bloomington | 43 | 571.00 | Rising Sun | 115 | 108.00 |
| Hardin | 44 | 122.00 | Vermont | 116 | 51.00 |
| Griggsville | 45 | 68.00 | Elgin | 117 | 577.00 |
| Temple | 46 | 1059.00 | Waverly | 118 | 108.00 |
| Caledonia | 47 | 57.00 | Henry | 119 | 98.00 |
| Unity | 48 | 148.00 | Mound | 122 | 197.00 |
| Cambridge | 49 | 104.00 | Oquawka | 123 | 55.00 |
| Carrollton | 50 | 159.00 | Cedar | 124 | 180.00 |
| Mt. Moriah | 51 | 188.00 | Greenup | 125 | 89.00 |
| Benevolent | 52 | 66.00 | Empire | 126 | 205.00 |
| Jackson | 53 | 196.00 | Antioch | 127 | 85.00 |
| Washington | 55 | 97.00 | Raleigh | 128 | 65.00 |
| Trio | 57 | 401.00 | Greenfield | 129 | 91.00 |
| Fraternal | 58 | 127.00 | Marion | 130 | 183.00 |
| New Boston | 59 | 107.00 | Golconda | 131 | 102.00 |
| Belvidere | 60 | 330.00 | Mackinaw | 132 | 65.00 |
| Lacon | 61 | 99.00 | Marshall | 133 | 139.00 |
| St. Mark | 63 | 164.00 | Sycamore | 134 | 195.00 |
| Benton | 64 | 151.00 | Lima | 135 | 65.00 |
| Euclid | 65 | 171.00 | Hutsonville | 136 | 45.00 |
| Pacific | 66 | 76.00 | Polk | 137 | 96.00 |
| Acacia | 67 | 198.00 | Marengo | 138 | 115.00 |
| Eureka | 69 | 82.00 | Geneva | 139 | 96.00 |
| Central | 71 | 336.00 | Olney | 140 | 147.00 |
| Chester | 72 | 88.00 | Garden City | 141 | 1612.00 |
| Rockton | 74 | 125.00 | Ames | 142 | 82.00 |
| Roscoe | 75 | 103.00 | Richmond | 143 | 74.30 |
| Mt. Nebo | 76 | 138.00 | DeKalb | 144 | 205.00 |
| Prairie | 77 | 265.00 | A. W. Rawson | 145 | 81.00 |
| Waukegan | 78 | 523.00 | Lee Centre | 146 | 63.00 |
| Scott | 79 | 78.00 | Clayton | 147 | 79.00 |

LODGE DUES RECEIVED FOR THE YEAR 1917.—*Continued.*

| LODGES. | NO. | DUES. | LODGES. | NO. | DUES. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bloomfield | 148 | $169.00 | Pana | 226 | $225.00 |
| Effingham | 149 | 109.00 | Columbus | 227 | 35.00 |
| Vienna | 150 | 91.00 | Lovington | 228 | 104.00 |
| Bunker Hill | 151 | 87.00 | Manchester | 229 | 76.00 |
| Fidelity | 152 | 67.00 | New Haven | 230 | 76.00 |
| Clay | 153 | 114.00 | Wyanet | 231 | 45.00 |
| Russell | 154 | 124.00 | Farmers | 232 | 59.00 |
| Alpha | 155 | 270.00 | Blandinsville | 233 | 117.00 |
| Delavan | 156 | 120.00 | DuQuoin | 234 | 133.00 |
| Urbana | 157 | 450.00 | Dallas City | 235 | 107.00 |
| McHenry | 158 | 111.00 | Charter Oak | 236 | 119.00 |
| Kewanee | 159 | 242.00 | Cairo | 237 | 227.00 |
| Waubansia | 160 | 483.00 | Black Hawk | 238 | 116.00 |
| Virden | 161 | 162.00 | Mt. Carmel | 239 | 261.00 |
| Hope | 162 | 105.00 | Western Star | 240 | 488.00 |
| Edward Dobbins | 164 | 153.00 | Shekinah | 241 | 225.00 |
| Atlanta | 165 | 111.00 | Galva | 243 | 133.00 |
| Star in the East | 166 | 771.00 | Horicon | 244 | 173.00 |
| Milford | 168 | 86.00 | Greenville | 245 | 149.00 |
| Nunda | 169 | 123.00 | El Paso | 246 | 172.00 |
| Evergreen | 170 | 268.00 | Rob Morris | 247 | 90.00 |
| Girard | 171 | 98.00 | Golden Gate | 248 | 61.00 |
| Wayne | 172 | 62.00 | Hibbard | 249 | 39.00 |
| Cherry Valley | 173 | 55.00 | Robinson | 250 | 170.00 |
| Lena | 174 | 65.00 | Heyworth | 251 | 109.00 |
| Matteson | 175 | 499.00 | Aledo | 252 | 182.00 |
| Mendota | 176 | 142.00 | Avon Harmony | 253 | 50.00 |
| Staunton | 177 | 250.00 | Aurora | 254 | 449.00 |
| Illinois Central | 178 | 123.00 | Donnelson | 255 | 61.00 |
| Wabash | 179 | 46.00 | Warsaw | 257 | 74.00 |
| Moweaqua | 180 | 108.00 | Mattoon | 260 | 331.00 |
| Germania | 182 | 427.00 | Amon | 261 | 49.00 |
| Meridian | 183 | 65.00 | Channahon | 262 | 31.00 |
| Abingdon | 185 | 106.00 | Illinois | 263 | 550.00 |
| Mystic Tie | 187 | 89.00 | Franklin Grove | 264 | 34.00 |
| Cyrus | 188 | 133.00 | Vermilion | 265 | 55.00 |
| Fulton City | 189 | 88.00 | Kingston | 266 | 52.00 |
| Dundee | 190 | 175.00 | La Prairie | 267 | 55.00 |
| Farmington | 192 | 131.00 | Paris | 268 | 279.00 |
| Herrick | 193 | 50.00 | Wheaton | 269 | 203.00 |
| Freedom | 194 | 59.00 | Levi Lusk | 270 | 30.00 |
| La Harpe | 195 | 142.00 | Blaney | 271 | 383.00 |
| Louisville | 196 | 78.00 | Carmi | 272 | 97.00 |
| King Solomon's | 197 | 67.00 | Miners | 273 | 187.00 |
| Homer | 199 | 108.00 | Byron | 274 | 98.00 |
| Sheba | 200 | 69.00 | Milton | 275 | 45.00 |
| Centralia | 201 | 249.00 | Elizabeth | 276 | 46.00 |
| Lavely | 203 | 86.00 | Accordia | 277 | 262.00 |
| Flora | 204 | 123.00 | Jo Daviess | 278 | 157.00 |
| Corinthian | 205 | 69.00 | Neoga | 279 | 120.00 |
| Fairfield | 206 | 129.00 | Kansas | 280 | 93.00 |
| Tamaroa | 207 | 58.00 | Brooklyn | 282 | 82.00 |
| Wilmington | 208 | 125.00 | Meteor | 283 | 122.00 |
| Wm. B. Warren | 209 | 691.00 | Catlin | 285 | 141.00 |
| Logan | 210 | 219.00 | Plymouth | 286 | 71.00 |
| Cleveland | 211 | 875.00 | De Soto | 287 | 141.00 |
| Shipman | 212 | 57.00 | Genoa | 288 | 116.00 |
| Ipava | 213 | 76.00 | Wataga | 291 | 37.00 |
| Gillespie | 214 | 139.00 | Chenoa | 292 | 123.00 |
| Newton | 216 | 119.00 | Prophetstown | 293 | 74.00 |
| Mason | 217 | 53.00 | Pontiac | 294 | 210.00 |
| New Salem | 218 | 31.00 | Dills | 295 | 42.00 |
| Oakland | 219 | 135.00 | Quincy | 296 | 218.00 |
| Mahomet | 220 | 68.00 | Benjamin | 297 | 122.00 |
| LeRoy | 221 | 107.00 | Wauconda | 298 | 65.00 |
| George Washington | 222 | 142.00 | Hinckley | 301 | 112.00 |

LODGE DUES RECEIVED FOR THE YEAR 1917.—*Continued.*

| LODGES. | NO. | DUES. | LODGES. | NO. | DUES. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Durand | 302 | $ 73.00 | Waltham | 384 | $ 67.00 |
| Raven | 303 | 74.00 | Mississippi | 385 | 221.00 |
| Onarga | 305 | 74.00 | Bridgeport | 386 | 181.00 |
| William C. Hobbs | 306 | 97.00 | El Dara | 388 | 46.00 |
| T. J. Pickett | 307 | 129.00 | Kankakee | 389 | 362.00 |
| Ashlar | 308 | 793.00 | Ashmor | 390 | 79.00 |
| Harvard | 309 | 262.00 | Tolono | 391 | 89.00 |
| Dearborn | 310 | 972.00 | Oconee | 392 | 60.00 |
| Kilwinning | 311 | 760.00 | Blair | 393 | 680.00 |
| Ionic | 312 | 602.00 | Jerseyville | 394 | 153.00 |
| York | 313 | 86.00 | Muddy Point | 396 | 37.00 |
| Palatine | 314 | 123.00 | Shiloh | 397 | 56.00 |
| Abraham Jonas | 316 | 55.00 | Kinmundy | 398 | 134.00 |
| J. L. Anderson | 318 | 104.00 | Buda | 399 | 51.00 |
| Doric | 319 | 466.00 | Odell | 401 | 66.00 |
| Creston | 320 | 55.00 | Kishwaukee | 402 | 66.00 |
| Dunlap | 321 | 126.00 | Mason City | 403 | 142.00 |
| Windsor | 322 | 66.00 | Batavia | 404 | 159.00 |
| Orient | 323 | 32.00 | Ramsey | 405 | 79.00 |
| Harrisburg | 325 | 263.00 | Bethalto | 406 | 41.00 |
| Industry | 327 | 73.00 | Stratton | 408 | 83.00 |
| Altona | 330 | 56.00 | Thos. J. Turner | 409 | 545.00 |
| Mt. Erie | 331 | 38.00 | Mithra | 410 | 248.00 |
| Tuscola | 332 | 169.00 | Hesperia | 411 | 691.00 |
| Tyrian | 333 | 305.00 | Evening Star | 414 | 57.00 |
| Sumner | 334 | 110.00 | Lawn Ridge | 415 | 51.00 |
| Schiller | 335 | 151.00 | Paxton | 416 | 148.00 |
| New Columbia | 336 | 88.00 | Marseilles | 417 | 135.00 |
| Oneida | 337 | 66.00 | Freeburg | 418 | 49.00 |
| Saline | 339 | 54.00 | Reynoldsburg | 419 | 27.00 |
| Kedron | 340 | 48.00 | Oregon | 420 | 170.00 |
| Full Moon | 341 | 81.00 | Washburn | 421 | 79.00 |
| Summerfield | 342 | 24.00 | Landmark | 422 | 723.00 |
| Wenona | 344 | 77.00 | Lanark | 423 | 79.00 |
| Milledgeville | 345 | 115.00 | Exeter | 424 | 31.00 |
| N. D. Morse | 346 | 49.00 | Scottville | 426 | 87.00 |
| Sidney | 347 | 55.00 | Red Bud | 427 | 36.00 |
| Flat Rock | 348 | 105.00 | Sunbeam | 428 | 100.00 |
| Sublette | 349 | 27.00 | Chebanse | 429 | 50.00 |
| Fairview | 350 | 86.00 | Kendrick | 430 | 50.00 |
| Tarbolton | 351 | 146.00 | Summit | 431 | 84.00 |
| Groveland | 352 | 56.00 | Murrayville | 432 | 70.00 |
| Kinderhook | 353 | 53.00 | Atkinson | 433 | 91.00 |
| Ark and Anchor | 354 | 115.00 | Makanda | 434 | 67.00 |
| Marine | 355 | 49.00 | Philo | 436 | 70.00 |
| Hermitage | 356 | 107.00 | Chicago | 437 | 556.95 |
| Orion | 358 | 53.00 | Camargo | 440 | 58.00 |
| Blackberry | 359 | 106.00 | Sparland | 441 | 39.00 |
| Princeville | 360 | 90.00 | Casey | 442 | 118.00 |
| Douglas | 361 | 51.00 | Hampshire | 443 | 99.00 |
| Noble | 362 | 61.00 | Cave-in-Rock | 444 | 56.00 |
| Horeb | 363 | 115.00 | Chesterfield | 445 | 52.00 |
| Tonica | 364 | 52.00 | Watseka | 446 | 173.00 |
| Bement | 365 | 130.00 | S. D. Monroe | 447 | 50.00 |
| Arcola | 366 | 150.00 | Yates City | 448 | 61.00 |
| Oxford | 367 | 60.00 | Mendon | 449 | 91.00 |
| Jefferson | 368 | 62.00 | Loami | 450 | 74.00 |
| Newman | 369 | 111.00 | Bromwell | 451 | 103.00 |
| Livingston | 371 | 115.00 | New Hartford | 453 | 47.00 |
| Chambersburg | 373 | 29.00 | Maroa | 454 | 122.00 |
| Shabonna | 374 | 88.00 | Irving | 455 | 80.00 |
| Aroma | 378 | 73.00 | Nokomis | 456 | 172.00 |
| Payson | 379 | 80.00 | Blazing Star | 458 | 60.00 |
| Liberty | 380 | 38.00 | Jeffersonville | 460 | 46.00 |
| Gill | 382 | 36.00 | Plainview | 461 | 41.00 |
| LaMoille | 383 | 73.00 | Tremont | 462 | 36.00 |

LODGE DUES RECEIVED FOR THE YEAR 1917.—*Continued.*

| LODGES. | NO. | DUES. | LODGES. | NO. | DUES. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Palmyra | 463 | $ 76.00 | Lockport | 538 | $143.00 |
| Denver | 464 | 44.00 | Chatsworth | 539 | 50.00 |
| Huntsville | 465 | 49.00 | Oak Park | 540 | 940.00 |
| Cobden | 466 | 76.00 | Stewardson | 541 | 32.00 |
| South Macon | 467 | 102.00 | Towanda | 542 | 55.00 |
| Cheney's Grove | 468 | 52.00 | Virginia | 544 | 115.00 |
| McLean | 469 | 106.00 | Valley | 547 | 56.00 |
| Rantoul | 470 | 100.00 | Sharon | 550 | 75.00 |
| Kendall | 471 | 111.00 | Long Point | 552 | 41.00 |
| Amity | 472 | 159.00 | Plum River | 554 | 214.00 |
| Gordon | 473 | 44.00 | Humbolt | 555 | 217.00 |
| Columbia | 474 | 100.00 | Dawson | 556 | 51.00 |
| Walshville | 475 | 24.00 | Lessing | 557 | 254.00 |
| Manito | 476 | 60.00 | Leland | 558 | 71.00 |
| Rutland | 477 | 71.00 | Thomson | 559 | 34.00 |
| Pleiades | 478 | 1320.00 | Madison | 560 | 39.00 |
| Wyoming | 479 | 129.00 | Trinity | 562 | 120.00 |
| Momence | 481 | 119.00 | Winslow | 564 | 59.00 |
| Lexington | 482 | 71.00 | Pleasant Hill | 565 | 42.00 |
| Edgewood | 484 | 63.00 | Albany | 566 | 70.00 |
| Xenia | 485 | 47.00 | Frankfort | 567 | 125.00 |
| Bowen | 486 | 72.00 | Time | 569 | 34.00 |
| Andrew Jackson | 487 | 30.00 | Jacksonville | 570 | 223.00 |
| Clay City | 488 | 101.00 | Bardolph | 572 | 40.00 |
| Cooper | 489 | 55.00 | Gardner | 573 | 163.00 |
| Shannon | 490 | 63.00 | Pera | 574 | 54.00 |
| Martin | 491 | 45.00 | Capron | 575 | 90.00 |
| Libertyville | 492 | 201.00 | O'Fallon | 576 | 84.00 |
| Tower Hill | 493 | 87.00 | Viola | 577 | 78.00 |
| Stone Fort | 495 | 71.00 | Prairie City | 578 | 47.00 |
| Colchester | 496 | 93.00 | Hazel Dell | 580 | 46.00 |
| Alma | 497 | 79.00 | Dongola | 581 | 76.00 |
| Murphysboro | 498 | 156.00 | Shirley | 582 | 45.00 |
| St. Paul | 500 | 410.00 | Highland | 583 | 101.00 |
| Stark | 501 | 38.00 | Vesper | 584 | 291.00 |
| Woodhull | 502 | 54.00 | Fisher | 585 | 45.00 |
| Odin | 503 | 43.00 | Princeton | 587 | 196.00 |
| East St. Louis | 504 | 596.00 | Troy | 588 | 48.00 |
| Meridian Sun | 505 | 118.00 | Fairmount | 590 | 71.00 |
| O. H. Miner | 506 | 69.00 | Gilman | 591 | 105.00 |
| Home | 508 | 601.00 | Fieldon | 592 | 31.00 |
| Parkersburg | 509 | 33.00 | Miles Hart | 595 | 65.00 |
| J. D. Moody | 510 | 26.00 | Cerro Gordo | 600 | 123.00 |
| Wade-Barney | 512 | 408.00 | Farina | 601 | 66.00 |
| Bradford | 514 | 64.00 | Watson | 602 | 36.00 |
| Andalusia | 516 | 96.00 | Clark | 603 | 138.00 |
| Litchfield | 517 | 128.00 | Hebron | 604 | 94.00 |
| Abraham Lincoln | 518 | 119.00 | Streator | 607 | 302.00 |
| Roseville | 519 | 95.00 | Piper | 608 | 89.00 |
| Anna | 520 | 130.00 | Sheldon | 609 | 110.00 |
| Illiopolis | 521 | 97.00 | Union Park | 610 | 1288.00 |
| Monitor | 522 | 533.00 | Lincoln Park | 611 | 753.00 |
| Chatham | 523 | 82.00 | Rock River | 612 | 369.00 |
| Evans | 524 | 522.00 | Patoka | 613 | 68.00 |
| Covenant | 526 | 1085.00 | Forest | 614 | 111.00 |
| Rossville | 527 | 129.00 | Wadley | 616 | 88.00 |
| Minooka | 528 | 74.00 | Good Hope | 617 | 60.00 |
| Adams | 529 | 42.00 | Basco | 618 | 19.00 |
| Maquon | 530 | 60.00 | New Hope | 620 | 30.00 |
| Ashton | 531 | 94.00 | Hopedale | 622 | 53.00 |
| Seneca | 532 | 56.00 | Locust | 623 | 38.00 |
| Altamont | 533 | 53.00 | Union | 627 | 37.00 |
| Cuba | 534 | 87.00 | Tuscan | 630 | 63.00 |
| Sherman | 535 | 76.00 | Norton | 631 | 51.00 |
| Plainfield | 536 | 143.00 | Ridge Farm | 632 | 96.00 |
| J. R. Gorin | 537 | 64.00 | E. F. W. Ellis | 633 | 238.00 |

LODGE DUES RECEIVED FOR THE YEAR 1917.—*Continued.*

| LODGES. | NO. | DUES. |
|---|---|---|
| Buckley | 634 | $ 23.00 |
| Rochester | 635 | 80.00 |
| Peotone | 636 | 101.00 |
| Keystone | 639 | 710.00 |
| Comet | 641 | 79.00 |
| Apollo | 642 | 725.00 |
| D. C. Creiger | 643 | 777.00 |
| Oblong City | 644 | 134.00 |
| San Jose | 645 | 44.00 |
| Somonauk | 646 | 112.00 |
| Blueville | 647 | 90.00 |
| Camden | 648 | 62.00 |
| Atwood | 651 | 87.00 |
| Greenview | 653 | 103.00 |
| Yorktown | 655 | 95.00 |
| Mozart | 656 | 91.00 |
| Lafayette | 657 | 36.00 |
| Rock Island | 658 | 382.00 |
| Lambert | 659 | 410.00 |
| Grand Chain | 660 | 32.00 |
| South Park | 662 | 453.00 |
| Mayo | 664 | 45.00 |
| Beecher City | 665 | 50.00 |
| Crawford | 666 | 77.00 |
| Erie | 667 | 94.00 |
| Burnt Prairie | 668 | 58.00 |
| Herder | 669 | 326.00 |
| Fillmore | 670 | 70.00 |
| Eddyville | 672 | 39.00 |
| Normal | 673 | 142.00 |
| Waldeck | 674 | 391.00 |
| Pawnee | 675 | 164.00 |
| A. O. Fay | 676 | 291.00 |
| Enfield | 677 | 78.00 |
| Buffalo Prairie | 679 | 100.00 |
| Clement | 680 | 69.00 |
| Morrisonville | 681 | 83.00 |
| Blue Mound | 682 | 98.00 |
| Burnside | 683 | 94.00 |
| Galatia | 684 | 57.00 |
| Rio | 685 | 90.00 |
| Garfield | 686 | 1124.00 |
| Orangeville | 687 | 56.00 |
| Clifton | 688 | 69.00 |
| Englewood | 690 | 1023.00 |
| Iola | 691 | 18.00 |
| Raymond | 692 | 85.00 |
| Herrin's Prairie | 693 | 251.00 |
| Shiloh Hill | 695 | 40.00 |
| Belle Rive | 696 | 56.00 |
| Richard Cole | 697 | 609.00 |
| Hutton | 698 | 52.00 |
| Pleasant Plains | 700 | 80.00 |
| Temple Hill | 701 | 29.00 |
| Alexandria | 702 | 80.00 |
| Braidwood | 704 | 217.00 |
| Ewing | 705 | 43.00 |
| Joppa | 706 | 76.00 |
| Star | 709 | 185.00 |
| Farmer City | 710 | 73.00 |
| Providence | 711 | 485.00 |
| Collinsville | 712 | 155.00 |
| Johnsonville | 713 | 55.00 |
| Collison | 714 | 106.00 |
| Elvaston | 715 | 27.00 |
| Calumet | 716 | 372.00 |
| Arcana | 717 | $881.00 |
| May | 718 | 51.00 |
| Chapel Hill | 719 | 23.00 |
| Rome | 721 | 34.00 |
| Walnut | 722 | 128.00 |
| Omaha | 723 | 46.00 |
| Chandlerville | 724 | 106.00 |
| Rankin | 725 | 83.00 |
| Golden Rule | 726 | 925.00 |
| Raritan | 727 | 36.00 |
| Waterman | 728 | 30.00 |
| Lake Creek | 729 | 105.00 |
| Eldorado | 730 | 146.00 |
| Harbor | 731 | 641.00 |
| Carman | 732 | 24.00 |
| Gibson | 733 | 142.00 |
| Morning Star | 734 | 304.00 |
| Sheridan | 735 | 92.00 |
| Arrowsmith | 737 | 47.00 |
| Saunemin | 738 | 95.00 |
| Lakeside | 739 | 531.00 |
| New Holland | 741 | 41.00 |
| Danvers | 742 | 73.00 |
| Scott Land | 743 | 56.00 |
| Goode | 744 | 121.00 |
| Winnebago | 745 | 67.00 |
| Weldon | 746 | 65.00 |
| Centennial | 747 | 62.00 |
| Alta | 748 | 84.00 |
| Akin | 749 | 86.00 |
| Lyndon | 750 | 53.00 |
| Lounsbury | 751 | 108.00 |
| Allendale | 752 | 50.00 |
| Ogden | 754 | 101.00 |
| Pre-emption | 755 | 86.00 |
| Hardinsville | 756 | 115.00 |
| Verona | 757 | 82.00 |
| Mystic Star | 758 | 1077.00 |
| Orel | 759 | 74.00 |
| Sibley | 761 | 44.00 |
| Van Meter | 762 | 104.00 |
| Crete | 763 | 92.00 |
| Sullivan | 764 | 206.00 |
| Palace | 765 | 477.00 |
| Littleton | 766 | 24.00 |
| Triluminar | 767 | 595.00 |
| Mizpah | 768 | 963.00 |
| St. Elmo | 769 | 98.00 |
| LaGrange | 770 | 350.00 |
| Bay City | 771 | 24.00 |
| New Burnside | 772 | 38.00 |
| Mansfield | 773 | 54.00 |
| Lake View | 774 | 1101.00 |
| Grand Crossing | 776 | 718.00 |
| Ravenswood | 777 | 700.00 |
| Gurney | 778 | 45.00 |
| Wright's Grove | 779 | 726.00 |
| Siloam | 780 | 734.00 |
| Potomac | 782 | 109.00 |
| Constantia | 783 | 381.00 |
| Beacon Light | 784 | 170.00 |
| Riverton Union | 786 | 89.00 |
| Morris | 787 | 121.00 |
| Lerna | 788 | 60.00 |
| Auburn Park | 789 | 645.00 |
| Pittsfield | 790 | 127.00 |

LODGE DUES RECEIVED FOR THE YEAR 1917.—*Continued.*

| LODGES. | NO. | DUES. | LODGES. | NO. | DUES. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Broadlands | 791 | $ 75.00 | Apple River | 859 | $ 64.00 |
| Calhoun | 792 | 58.00 | Metropolitan | 860 | 630.00 |
| A. T. Darrah | 793 | 56.00 | Sorento | 861 | 34.00 |
| Tadmor | 794 | 22.00 | Riverside | 862 | 158.00 |
| Myrtle | 795 | 622.00 | St. Andrews | 863 | 476.00 |
| E. M. Husted | 796 | 110.00 | Olympia | 864 | 501.00 |
| Normal Park | 797 | 1021.00 | St. Cecilia | 865 | 451.00 |
| Sidell | 798 | 83.00 | West Salem | 866 | 52.00 |
| Colfax | 799 | 90.00 | Chadwick | 867 | 86.00 |
| Kenwood | 800 | 810.00 | Cornell | 868 | 24.00 |
| Sangamon | 801 | 65.00 | Maywood | 869 | 446.00 |
| Williamson | 802 | 140.00 | Lostant | 870 | 63.00 |
| Neponset | 803 | 54.00 | Argenta | 871 | 79.00 |
| Kensington | 804 | 453.00 | Free Will | 872 | 75.00 |
| S. M. Dalzell | 805 | 152.00 | Standard | 873 | 683.00 |
| Nebo | 806 | 56.00 | Nifong | 874 | 41.00 |
| Royal | 807 | 51.00 | Cornerstone | 875 | 396.00 |
| Cornland | 808 | 76.00 | William McKinley | 876 | 498.00 |
| Gillham | 809 | 54.00 | Granite City | 877 | 279.00 |
| Tracey | 810 | 311.00 | Equity | 878 | 640.00 |
| Melvin | 811 | 76.00 | Composite | 879 | 446.00 |
| DeLand | 812 | 38.00 | John B. Sherman | 880 | 576.00 |
| Humboldt Park | 813 | 947.00 | Marissa | 881 | 60.00 |
| Ohio | 814 | 26.00 | Boulevard | 882 | 1003.00 |
| Lawn | 815 | 365.00 | Wheeler | 883 | 29.00 |
| Ridgeway | 816 | 54.00 | Bethany | 884 | 73.00 |
| Creal Springs | 817 | 80.00 | Villa Grove | 885 | 140.00 |
| Ben Hur | 818 | 591.00 | Hooppole | 886 | 26.00 |
| Columbian | 819 | 714.00 | Pyramid | 887 | 91.00 |
| Henderson | 820 | 84.00 | Damascus | 888 | 451.00 |
| New Canton | 821 | 74.00 | America | 889 | 606.00 |
| Belknap | 822 | 80.00 | Des Plaines | 890 | 168.00 |
| Pearl | 823 | 84.00 | Logan Square | 891 | 615.00 |
| Grove | 824 | 249.00 | Constellation | 892 | 778.00 |
| Arthur | 825 | 95.00 | Loraine | 893 | 57.00 |
| Mazon | 826 | 117.00 | Utopia | 894 | 273.00 |
| Sequit | 827 | 99.00 | Crescent | 895 | 577.00 |
| Edgar | 829 | 96.00 | Kosmos | 896 | 353.00 |
| Rockport | 830 | 69.00 | Ogden Park | 897 | 572.00 |
| Findlay | 831 | 87.00 | Silvis | 898 | 147.00 |
| Harvey | 832 | 355.00 | Park Manor | 899 | 436.00 |
| Dean | 833 | 56.00 | Carnation | 900 | 447.00 |
| Toledo | 834 | 84.00 | Edgewater | 901 | 692.00 |
| Triple | 835 | 110.00 | Alto | 902 | 47.00 |
| Windsor Park | 836 | 471.00 | Elkhart | 903 | 67.00 |
| Hindsboro | 837 | 95.00 | Carlock | 904 | 70.00 |
| Charity | 838 | 49.00 | Hanover | 905 | 53.00 |
| Berwyn | 839 | 258.00 | Coffeen | 906 | 37.00 |
| Alto Pass | 840 | 63.00 | Ancient Craft | 907 | 472.00 |
| Woodlawn Park | 841 | 837.00 | Gil. W. Barnard | 908 | 154.00 |
| Fides | 842 | 269.00 | Bee Hive | 909 | 542.00 |
| Park | 843 | 554.00 | Hull | 910 | 63.00 |
| Martinton | 845 | 37.00 | Bellflower | 911 | 43.00 |
| Bluffs | 846 | 49.00 | Stellar | 912 | 63.00 |
| Stronghurst | 847 | 73.00 | Aaron | 913 | 305.00 |
| London | 848 | 43.00 | Republic | 914 | 249.00 |
| Palestine | 849 | 92.00 | Jackson Park | 915 | 367.00 |
| Austin | 850 | 1057.00 | Welcome | 916 | 336.00 |
| Chicago Heights | 851 | 308.00 | Concord | 917 | 286.00 |
| Gothic | 852 | 594.00 | Sessor | 918 | 62.00 |
| Latham | 853 | 54.00 | Elwood | 919 | 59.00 |
| Brighton Park | 854 | 440.00 | Cottonwood | 920 | 30.00 |
| King Oscar | 855 | 875.00 | Avondale | 921 | 341.00 |
| West Gate | 856 | 45.00 | Compass | 922 | 233.00 |
| Boyd D. | 857 | 88.00 | East Gate | 923 | 496.00 |
| Utica | 858 | 47.00 | Banner Blue | 924 | 425.00 |

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1917.—*Concluded.*

| LODGES. | NO. | DUES. | LODGES. | NO. | DUES. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Molenna | 925 | $ 46.00 | Cisco | 965 | $ 40.00 |
| Veritas | 926 | 740.00 | Exemplar | 966 | 213.00 |
| Candida | 927 | 322.00 | Dahlgren | 967 | 29.00 |
| Grant Park | 928 | 38.00 | South Gate | 968 | 98.00 |
| Ashland | 929 | 58.00 | East Moline | 969 | 88.00 |
| Joseph Robbins | 930 | 135.00 | St. Joe | 970 | 61.00 |
| Wilmette | 931 | 375.00 | Fernwood Park | 971 | 95.00 |
| Sandoval | 932 | 71.00 | Rainbow | 972 | 202.00 |
| Manlius | 933 | 43.00 | Perseverance | 973 | 189.00 |
| Hinsdale | 934 | 172.00 | Albany Park | 974 | 198.00 |
| LaMoine | 935 | 34.00 | Old Glory | 975 | 291.00 |
| Rock Falls | 936 | 123.00 | Melrose Abbey | 976 | 155.00 |
| North Shore | 937 | 655.00 | Parian | 977 | 178.00 |
| Circle | 938 | 283.00 | Square | 978 | 90.00 |
| Table Grove | 939 | 50.00 | Stephen Decatur | 979 | 245.00 |
| Pleasant View | 940 | 45.00 | Anchor | 980 | 115.00 |
| Elmhurst | 941 | 194.00 | Trowel | 981 | 131.00 |
| Maple Park | 942 | 37.00 | Sincerity | 982 | 421.00 |
| Bohemia | 943 | 398.00 | Glencoe | 983 | 146.00 |
| John C. Smith | 944 | 348.00 | Emblem | 984 | 196.00 |
| Buffalo | 945 | 44.00 | Universal | 985 | 164.00 |
| Joy | 946 | 85.00 | Brotherhood | 986 | 500.00 |
| Kenmore | 947 | 127.00 | Cyrene | 987 | 122.00 |
| R. F. Casey | 948 | 30.00 | Park Ridge | 988 | 132.00 |
| Justice | 949 | 388.00 | Hyde Park | 989 | 156.00 |
| Glen Ellyn | 950 | 129.00 | Clover Leaf | 990 | 25.00 |
| Depue | 951 | 54.00 | Welfare | 991 | 143.00 |
| Donovan | 952 | 38.00 | Niagira | 992 | 179.00 |
| Stone Arch | 953 | 31.00 | Leyden | 993 | 58.00 |
| Progressive | 954 | 280.00 | True Blue | 994 | 99.00 |
| Cicero | 955 | 179.00 | Lawndale | 995 | 184.00 |
| Washington Park | 956 | 384.00 | Sunrise | 996 | 154.00 |
| Prospect | 957 | 155.00 | Integrity | 997 | 193.00 |
| Prudence | 958 | 386.00 | Paul Revere | 998 | 153.00 |
| Warrensburg | 959 | 49.00 | Morgan Park | 999 | 151.00 |
| Algonquin | 960 | 45.00 | Baylis | 1000 | 38.00 |
| Federal | 961 | 155.00 | Wayfarer | 1001 | 93.00 |
| Ben Franklin | 962 | 392.00 | Portage Park | 1002 | 117.00 |
| Broughton | 963 | 27.00 | | | |
| Maplewood | 964 | 158.00 | Total | | $157,102.25 |

DUES RECEIVED FOR PRECEDING YEARS.

| Lodge No. | | Amount | Lodge No. | | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Wayfarers U. D. | $38.00 | 482 | Lexington | 1.00 |
| 39 | Herman | 1.00 | 584 | Vesper | 2.00 |
| 50 | Carrolton | 1.00 | 672 | Eddyville | 2.00 |
| 60 | Belvidere | 4.60 | 805 | S. M. Dalzell | 11.80 |
| 200 | Sheba | 1.90 | 846 | Bluffs | 1.00 |
| 226 | Pana | 1.00 | 861 | Sorento | 1.00 |
| 234 | DuQuoin | 1.00 | 862 | Riverside | 1.00 |
| 247 | Rob Morris | 1.00 | 884 | Bethany | 1.00 |
| 285 | Catlin | 2.00 | 953 | Stone Arch | 1.80 |
| 293 | Prophetstown | 1.00 | | | |
| 294 | Pontiac | 1.00 | | | $76.10 |

DUES RECEIVED FROM LODGES U. D.

| Lodge No. | Amount | Lodge No. | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|
| Hurst | $ 14.00 | Woodson | 3.00 |
| Community | 65.00 | Honor | 24.00 |
| Fair Oaks | 149.00 | John Paul Jones | 15.00 |
| Loyal | 59.00 | Fortitude | 81.00 |
| Hiram | 21.00 | | |
| Parkway | 49.00 | | $538.00 |
| Birchwood | 58.00 | | |

DISPENSATION FEES RECEIVED.

| Lodge No. | Amount | Lodge No. | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|
| Hurst U. D. | $ 100.00 | Woodson U. D. | 100.00 |
| Community U. D. | 100.00 | Honor U. D. | 100.00 |
| Fair Oaks U. D. | 100.00 | John Paul Jones U. D. | 100.00 |
| Loyal U D. | 100.00 | Moline U. D. | 100.00 |
| Hiram U. D. | 100.00 | | |
| Parkway U. D. | 100.00 | | $1100.00 |
| Birchwood U. D. | 100.00 | | |

RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES.

GENERAL FUND.

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|---|---|
| Balance October 6, 1916 | $ 87,153.17 |
| Monitors | 6,987.65 |
| Dues 1917 | 86,397.95 |
| Dues preceding years | 21.95 |
| Dispensations | 1,290.00 |
| Music | 182.85 |
| Dues Lodges U. D., 1916 | 20.90 |
| Dues Lodges U. D., 1917 | 295.90 |
| Official receipts | 1,316.77 |
| Blue Books and Ceremonials | 147.10 |
| Mileage and per diem returned | 21.00 |
| Interest | 791.51 |
| Interest City of Cleveland Bonds | 80.00 |
| Interest City of Chicago Bonds | 1,000.00 |
| Interest Cook County Bonds | 1,680.00 |
| Sale stencil cutter | 25.00 |
| Sale addressing machine | 35.00 |
| Interest City of Cleveland Bonds | 40.00 |
| | $187,485.85 |
| | .90 |
| Total | $187,486.75 |

RECEIPTS—PERMANENT FUND

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|---|---|
| Paul Revere Lodge No. 998 | $ 25.00 |
| Sincerity Lodge No. 982 | 25.00 |
| Englewood Lodge No. 690 | 100.00 |
| DesPlaines Lodge No. 890 | 15.00 |
| Carnation Lodge No. 900 | 25.00 |
| Lake View Lodge No. 774 | 25.00 |
| Bee Hive Lodge No. 909 | 50.00 |
| Member Damascus No. 888 | 10.00 |
| Parkway U. D. | 25.00 |
| Member Carnation No. 900 | 2.00 |
| Total | $302.00 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

Orders have been drawn on the General Fund at and since the last annual meeting for the following amounts:

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| Mileage and Per Diem paid to representatives | $ 17,276.51 |
| Mileage and Per Diem paid to officers and committees | 4,081.10 |

| Check Number | | |
|---|---|---|
| 126 | Chas. H. Martin, committee on correspondence | 500.00 |
| 127 | C. S. Gurney, expenses as grand tyler | 100.00 |
| 128 | C. S. Gurney, miscellaneous expenses | 62.00 |
| 129 | C. G. Palmer, stenographic services | 32.00 |
| 130 | Oriental Consistory rent | 300.00 |
| 131 | Isaac Cutter, equipment for office of grand secretary | 294.25 |
| 132 | I. H. Todd, typewriter and office supplies | 149.10 |
| 133 | Phil C. Barclay, for committee on chartered lodges | 100.00 |
| 134 | Owen Scott, Joseph Robbins memorial | 300.00 |
| 135 | Owen Scott, stenographer for Jos. Robbins memorial | 100.00 |
| 136 | Wm. Ahlf, error in mileage and per diem, 1914 | 7.50 |
| 137 | Brooks Laundry Co., aprons for grand lodge | 46.40 |
| 138 | H. H. Rainier, expenses attending grand lodge | 28.59 |
| 139 | Canceled | |
| 140 | Thos. A. Doherty, expenses as D. D. G. M. | 10.30 |
| 141 | Isaac Cutter, expenses attending grand lodge | 127.45 |
| 142 | C. S. Gurney, expenses Naperville and South Chicago | 25.15 |
| 143 | Hotel LaSalle, dinner to grand officers and D. D. G. M. | 83.50 |
| 144 | Phenix Engraving Co., engrossing charters | 5.25 |
| 145 | H. P. Beherensmeyer, engrossing charters | 35.30 |
| 146 | C. G. Taylor, expenses as D. D. G. M. | 16.07 |

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| 147 | James M. Huff, expenses as D. D. G. M. | 45.00 |
| 148 | L. W. Morton, expenses as D. D. G. M. | 27.13 |
| 149 | C. F. Crum, expenses as D. D. G. M. | 8.16 |
| 150 | Canceled . | |
| 151 | Canceled . | |
| 152 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for October. | 208.33 |
| 153 | Isaac Cutter, salary for October. | 250.00 |
| 154 | Roy Adams, salary for October. | 100.00 |
| 155 | Isaac Cutter, clerk hire for October. | 50.00 |
| 156 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc.. | 100.00 |
| 157 | Anthony Doherty, monitor committee, error clerk No. 110 | 10.00 |
| 158 | American Surety Co., bond for grand treasurer. | 250.00 |
| 159 | American Surety Co., bond for grand secretary. | 93.75 |
| 160 | Roundy Regalia Co., aprons for grand lodge. | 75.00 |
| 161 | C. G. Palmer, stenographic services. | 60.20 |
| 162 | H. T. Fletcher, legal services estate C. C. Bishop. | 456.25 |
| 163 | Robert Dowie, services and expenses, Virden. | 19.79 |
| 164 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses Virden. | 7.00 |
| 165 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing. | 497.55 |
| 166 | Central Illinois Public Service Co., electric lights. | 2.18 |
| 167 | Isaac Cutter, expense Grand Secretary's office. | 175.97 |
| 168 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expenses grand master's office. | 72.26 |
| 169 | Wm. H. Bied, expenses as grand marshal. | 127.03 |
| 170 | D. G. Fitzgerrell, expenses funeral Past Grand Master A. B. Ashley . | 4.39 |
| 171 | Owen Scott, expenses funeral Past Grand Master A. B. Ashley . | 14.75 |
| 172 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses funeral Past Grand Master A. B. Ashley . | 9.40 |
| 173 | Ingleside Quartette, expenses funeral Past Grand Master A. B. Ashley. | 20.00 |
| 174 | C. S. Gurney, services and expenses as grand tyler. | 19.75 |
| 175 | A. C. Metcalf, telephone expense. | .70 |
| 176 | H. P. Beherensmeyer, engrossing commissions. | 11.85 |
| 177 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for November. | 208.33 |
| 178 | Isaac Cutter, salary for November. | 250.00 |
| 179 | Roy Adams, salary for November. | 100.00 |
| 180 | Isaac Cutter, extra clerk hire for November. | 50.00 |
| 181 | Ralph H. Wheeler, extra stenographer, private telephone, etc. . . . | 100.00 |
| 182 | C. S. Gurney, expenses and services as grand tyler. | 28.15 |
| 183 | Robert Dowie, expenses and services as grand tyler. | 91.65 |
| 184 | Anthony Doherty, expenses of monitor committee. | 7.69 |

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| 185 | Miscellaneous printing | 525.08 |
| 186 | Isaac Cutter, miscellaneous expenses of grand secretary's office | 120.24 |
| 187 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expenses grand master's office | 103.05 |
| 188 | Francis & Spence, premium on insurance | 102.80 |
| 189 | E. T. Selby, miscellaneous printing | 46.50 |
| 190 | Underwood Typewriter Co., repairs | .75 |
| 191 | Wm. H. Bied, services and expenses as grand marshal | 18.62 |
| 192 | H. P. Beherensmeyer, engrossing commissions | 46.45 |
| 193 | G. F. Roberts, coal for office of grand secretary | 20.69 |
| 194 | L. J. Timm, funeral expenses of Past Grand Master A. B. Ashley | 10.00 |
| 195 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses dedication at Rutland | 3.96 |
| 196 | S. E. Grigg, expenses as D. D. G. M | 3.00 |
| 197 | Robert Dowie, expenses dedication at Rutland | 16.16 |
| 198 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for December | 208.33 |
| 199 | Isaac Cutter, salary for December | 250.00 |
| 200 | Roy Adams, salary for December | 100.00 |
| 201 | Isaac Cutter, clerk hire for December | 50.00 |
| 202 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc | 100.00 |
| 203 | L. A. Goddard, salary ending December 21, 1916 | 100.00 |
| 204 | Chas. H. Martin, expenses at Cairo, Ill | 9.54 |
| 205 | Chas. T. Neiglich, decorating consistory (Ashley funeral) | 30.00 |
| 206 | Lawrence & Kerwin, printing | 4.75 |
| 207 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expenses grand master's office | 55.48 |
| 208 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., printing Proceedings etc. | 4,183.20 |
| 209 | E. T. Selby, mailing tubes | 27.50 |
| 210 | H. P. Beherensmeyer, engrossing commissions | .74 |
| 211 | H. Ranier, wrapping twine and supplies | 8.30 |
| 212 | Isaac Cutter, office and miscellaneous expenses | 191.69 |
| 213 | Miscellaneous printing | 738.43 |
| 214 | Edw. Hines Lumber Co., carbon paper and ribbons | 1.85 |
| 215 | Maxwell Levy, expenses examination Chicago | 26.00 |
| 216 | S. C. D. Rea, expenses examination Chicago | 55.56 |
| 217 | A. Doherty, expenses examination Chicago | 50.58 |
| 218 | R. C. Davenport, expenses examination Chicago | 51.05 |
| 219 | H. S. Wiley, expenses examination Chicago | 45.50 |
| 220 | H. S. Wiley, expenses school of instruction, Centralia | 47.47 |
| 221 | R. C. Davenport, expenses school of instruction, Centralia | 46.11 |
| 222 | S. C. D. Rea, expenses school of instruction, Centralia | 49.70 |
| 223 | A. Doherty, expenses school of instruction, Centralia | 44.50 |
| 224 | Maxwell Levy, expenses school of instruction, Centralia | 52.00 |
| 225 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for January | 208.33 |

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|---|---|---|
| 226 | Isaac Cutter, salary for January | 250.00 |
| 227 | Roy Adams, salary for January | 100.00 |
| 228 | Isaac Cutter, clerk hire for January | 50.00 |
| 229 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc. | 100.00 |
| 230 | Rev. R. Keene Ryan, expenses school at Centralia | 18.00 |
| 231 | Roberts & Swain, account board of education | 66.10 |
| 232 | R. C. Davenport, expenses school of instruction, Pekin | 59.05 |
| 233 | S. C. D. Rea, expenses school of instruction, Champaign | 62.75 |
| 234 | A. Doherty, expenses school of instruction, Champaign | 57.20 |
| 235 | Maxwell Levy, expenses school of instruction, Champaign | 53.25 |
| 236 | R. C. Davenport, expenses school of instruction, Champaign | 59.32 |
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| 237 | H. S. Wiley, expenses school of instruction, Champaign and Marion | 100.50 |
| 238 | R. H. Wheeler, expense of grand master's office for January | 69.12 |
| 239 | S. D. Childs, stationery for grand secretary | 73.50 |
| 240 | Underwood Typewriter Co., new typewriter | 44.75 |
| 241 | Dalton Adding Machine Co., ribbon | 1.00 |
| 242 | Isaac Cutter, office expenses and expenses schools at Centralia, Springfield and Champaign | 284.07 |
| 243 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing | 1,499.40 |
| 244 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for February | 208.33 |
| 245 | Isaac Cutter, salary for February | 250.00 |
| 246 | Roy Adams, salary for February | 100.00 |
| 247 | Isaac Cutter, extra clerk hire for February | 50.00 |
| 248 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc. | 100.00 |
| 249 | J. K. Lambert, expenses Champaign | 10.46 |
| 250 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses Champaign and Centralia | 26.92 |
| 251 | Maxwell Levy, expenses schools, Springfield and Joliet | 92.30 |
| 252 | S. C. D. Rea, expenses schools, Springfield and Metropolis | 100.25 |
| 253 | H. S. Wiley, expense Springfield school | 42.00 |
| 254 | A. Doherty, expense Springfield school | 55.00 |
| 255 | R. C. Davenport, expense Springfield school | 56.83 |
| 256 | S. C. D. Rea, expenses school of instruction, Galesburg and Dixon | 131.67 |
| 257 | A. Doherty, expenses school of instruction, Galesburg and Quincy | 128.10 |
| 258 | R. C. Davenport, expenses school of instruction, Galesburg | 64.29 |
| 259 | Maxwell Levy, expenses school of instruction, Galesburg. | 54.00 |
| 260 | H. S. Wiley, expenses school of instruction, Galesburg | 57.82 |
| 261 | E. T. Selby, miscellaneous printing | 49.25 |

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| 262 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses Springfield | 11.00 |
| 263 | H. P. Beherensmeyer, engrossing commissions | 2.50 |
| 264 | O. A. Kropf, expenses Springfield | 17.30 |
| 265 | Isaac Cutter, miscellaneous expense of grand secretary's office | 359.37 |
| 266 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing | 161.30 |
| 267 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expense grand master's office | 187.44 |
| 268 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for March | 208.33 |
| 269 | Isaac Cutter, salary for March | 250.00 |
| 270 | Roy Adams, salary for March | 100.00 |
| 271 | Isaac Cutter, extra clerk hire | 50.00 |
| 272 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc. | 100.00 |
| 273 | Joseph F. Newton, school of instruction, Chicago | 65.00 |
| 274 | L. A. Goddard, salary ending March 31 | 100.00 |
| 275 | A. Doherty, expenses school of instruction, LaSalle | 56.40 |
| 276 | Maxwell Levy, expenses school of instruction, LaSalle | 57.00 |
| 277 | R. C. Davenport, expenses school of instruction, LaSalle. | 59.59 |
| 278 | H. S. Wiley, expenses school of instruction, LaSalle | 52.50 |
| 279 | S. C. D. Rea, expenses school of instruction, LaSalle | 62.30 |
| 280 | C. S. Gurney, expenses of grand tyler | 15.98 |
| 281 | A H. Scrogin, expenses at Galesburg | 18.41 |
| 282 | R. N. Holt, expenses at Galesburg | 12.50 |
| 283 | Isaac Cutter, expense grand secretary's office | 123.54 |
| 284 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expense grand master's office | 80.69 |
| 285 | Addressograph Co., addressograph complete | 377.87 |
| 286 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing | 177.37 |
| 287 | A. Doherty, examination and school at Chicago | 111.69 |
| 288 | R. C. Davenport, examination and school at Chicago | 112.24 |
| 289 | Maxwell Levy, examination and school at Chicago | 51.00 |
| 290 | H. S. Wiley, examination and school at Chicago | 106.88 |
| 291 | S. C. D. Rea, examination and school at Chicago | 116.66 |
| 292 | D. G. Fitzgerrel, expenses advisory committee | 11.98 |
| 293 | J. D. Dyas, expenses advisory committee | 23.55 |
| 294 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses advisory committee and school at LaSalle | 41.35 |
| 295 | C. G. Palmer, stenographic services | 70.50 |
| 296 | Ben Tufts, Imperial quartette | 25.00 |
| 297 | C. E. Allen, expenses jurisprudence committee meeting | 10.50 |
| 298 | Owen Scott, expenses jurisprudence committee meeting | 25.77 |
| 299 | Hotel LaSalle, expense of advisory committee | 77.75 |
| 300 | Wm. H. Bied, expenses as grand marshal | 19.42 |
| 301 | C. S. Gurney, expenses as grand tyler | 17.97 |
| 302 | Star Art Studio, Royal Arch hospital | 20.00 |

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| 303 | Roberts & Swain, account board of education | 50.00 |
| 304 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for April | 208.33 |
| 305 | Isaac Cutter, salary for April | 250.00 |
| 306 | Roy Adams, salary for April | 100.00 |
| 307 | Isaac Cutter, extra clerk hire for April | 90.00 |
| 308 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, telephone, etc | 100.00 |
| 309 | H. P. Beherensmeyer, engrossing commissions | 3.03 |
| 310 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expenses of grand master for April | 78.12 |
| 311 | Isaac Cutter, office and miscellaneous expense | 172.07 |
| 312 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing | 183.78 |
| 313 | Transfer of funds, general to charity | 10,000.00 |
| 314 | Robert Dowie, expenses Olney | 23.19 |
| 315 | W. H. Bied, expenses as grand marshal | 27.00 |
| 316 | Lloyd Thomas Co., appraisals of homes | 75.00 |
| 317 | Transfer of funds, general to charity | 3,000.00 |
| 318 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for May | 208.33 |
| 319 | Isaac Cutter, salary for May | 250.00 |
| 320 | Roy Adams, salary for May | 100.00 |
| 321 | Isaac Cutter, extra clerk hire for May | 90.00 |
| 322 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc. | 100.00 |
| 323 | Transfer of funds, general to charity | 10,000.00 |
| 324 | C. S. Gurney, expense grand tyler at Maywood | 19.50 |
| 325 | Owen Scott, expenses to Mattoon, account of tornado | 21.50 |
| 326 | L. L. Emerson, expenses advisory committee meeting | 16.20 |
| 327 | C. E. Allen, expenses advisory committee meeting | 10.50 |
| 328 | D. G. Fitzgerrell, expenses advisory committee meeting | 9.34 |
| 329 | J. E. Dyas, expenses advisory committee meeting | 21.80 |
| 330 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses advisory committee meeting | 21.00 |
| 331 | Owen Scott, expenses advisory committee meeting | 18.47 |
| 332 | A. H. Bell, expenses advisory committee meeting | 15.00 |
| 333 | L. A. Hall, expense grand secretary's office | 1.90 |
| 334 | E. T. Selby, miscellaneous printing | 30.25 |
| 335 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expense grand master's office | 84.99 |
| 336 | Isaac Cutter, office and miscellaneous expenses | 220.51 |
| 337 | Miscellaneous printing | 85.37 |
| 338 | E. H. Switzer, insurance on regalia | 5.00 |
| 339 | E. H. Thomas, for office expenses of grand secretary | 3.10 |
| 340 | L. A. Goddard, for liberty bonds | 25,000.00 |
| 341 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for June | 208.33 |
| 342 | Isaac Cutter, salary for June | 250.00 |
| 343 | Roy Adams, salary for June | 100.00 |
| 344 | L. A. Goddard, salary ending June 30 | 100.00 |
| 345 | Isaac Cutter, miscellaneous expense and clerk hire | 90.00 |

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| 346 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc.. | 100.00 |
| 347 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing.... | 623.93 |
| 348 | R. C. Davenport, examination at Carbondale..... | 32.50 |
| 349 | A. Jampolis, examination at Carbondale..... | 45.25 |
| 350 | Maxwell Levy, examination at Carbondale..... | 45.25 |
| 351 | H. S. Wiley, examination at Carbondale..... | 43.95 |
| 352 | S. C. D. Rea, examination at Carbondale..... | 26.25 |
| 353 | C. S. Gurney, expenses dedication at Camp Point..... | 25.21 |
| 354 | Isaac Cutter, expenses St. Louis, Waterloo and return... | 49.40 |
| 355 | A. C. Metcalf, investigation at Woodson..... | 3.06 |
| 356 | A. C. Metcalf, investigation at Mason City..... | 2.66 |
| 357 | Edw. H. Thomas, expenses dedication at Camp Point.... | 14.14 |
| 358 | Robert Dowie, expenses dedication at Warrensburg..... | 24.68 |
| 359 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses dedication at Camp Point..... | 10.00 |
| 360 | C. L. Tanner, expenses to Piper City..... | 3.62 |
| 361 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses dedication at Warrensburg..... | 6.54 |
| 362 | G. E. Chamberlain, expenses of D. D. G. M. 29th District. | 26.12 |
| 363 | C. F. Wm. Schultz, expenses of D. D. G. M. 12th District. | 50.68 |
| 364 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expenses of grand master for June... | 74.52 |
| 365 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for July..... | 208.33 |
| 366 | Isaac Cutter, salary for July..... | 250.00 |
| 367 | Roy Adams, salary for July..... | 100.00 |
| 368 | Isaac Cutter, miscellaneous expense and clerk hire..... | 90.00 |
| 369 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc.. | 100.00 |
| 370 | Isaac Cutter, office and miscellaneous expense of grand secretary's office ..... | 54.73 |
| 371 | George E. McKitrick, expenses D. D. G. M., 47th District | 34.04 |
| 372 | G. H. Stevens, expenses D. D. G. M., 27th District..... | 27.10 |
| 373 | A. C. Metcalf, expenses D. D. G. M., 31st District..... | 38.10 |
| 374 | Charles S. Bourque, expenses D. D. G. M., 49th District.. | 37.01 |
| 375 | John F. Schott, expenses D. D. G. M., German speaking lodges ..... | 15.55 |
| 376 | Walter R. McLean, expenses D. D. G. M., 36th District.. | 28.53 |
| 377 | C. L. Tanner, expenses D. D. G. M., 19th District..... | 39.96 |
| 378 | A. T. Peters, expenses D. D. G. M., 25th District..... | 32.44 |
| 379 | A. H. Scrogin, expenses Chicago and Blue Mound..... | 24.00 |
| 380 | Robert Dowie, expenses Blue Mound..... | 20.13 |
| 381 | Wm. B. Wright, expenses jurisprudence committee..... | 16.60 |
| 382 | Owen Scott, expenses jurisprudence committee..... | 18.48 |
| 383 | C. E. Allen, expenses jurisprudence committee..... | 11.82 |
| 384 | Wm. H. Bied, services and expenses, grand marshal..... | 66.85 |
| 385 | Wm. H. Bied, services and expenses, Urbana..... | 18.00 |
| 386 | C. S. Gurney, services and expenses, Urbana..... | 14.65 |

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| 387 | N. E. Murray, services and expenses, Urbana..... | 15.80 |
| 388 | E. T. Selby, miscellaneous printing..... | 93.50 |
| 389 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing.... | 636.13 |
| 390 | E. H. Fleming, expenses Nauvoo..... | 10.50 |
| 391 | Masonic Relief Ass'n. warning circulars..... | 740.27 |
| 392 | R. H. Wheeler, expense of grand master's office for July. | 72.12 |
| 393 | Isaac Cutter, office and miscellaneous expenses..... | 166.97 |
| 394 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing.... | 61.79 |
| 395 | R. M. Riggs, expenses of D. D. G. M., 34th District..... | 37.62 |
| 396 | E. L. Lawrence, expenses of D. D. G. M., 32nd District... | 33.79 |
| 397 | F. E. Edgerton, expenses of D. D. G. M., 22nd District... | 27.50 |
| 398 | C. C. Sawyer, expenses of D. D. G. M., 21st District..... | 38.90 |
| 399 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for August..... | 208.33 |
| 400 | Isaac Cutter, salary for August..... | 250.00 |
| 401 | Roy Adams, salary for August..... | 100.00 |
| 402 | Isaac Cutter, miscellaneous expense and clerk hire..... | 90.00 |
| 403 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc.. | 100.00 |
| | George R. Bost (No. 148, mileage and per diem for 1915) | 1.10 |
| | C. F. Newkirk (No. 24, mileage and per diem for 1915).. | 6.60 |
| 404 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing.... | 79.88 |
| 405 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expense of grand master's office for August ..... | 33.04 |
| 406 | Isaac Cutter, office expenses..... | 134.61 |
| 407 | Elmer T. Selby, miscellaneous printing..... | 114.15 |
| 408 | Thos. H. Hobbs, expense D. D. G. M., 11th District..... | 54.67 |
| 409 | S. P. Odenweller, expense D. D. G. M., 23rd District..... | 32.91 |
| 410 | Boyd S. Blaine, expense D. D. G. M., 28th District..... | 24.00 |
| 411 | Jas. A. Shepherd, Jr., expense D. D. G. M., 29th District. | 24.36 |
| 412 | David L. Wright, expense D. D. G. M., 41st District..... | 18.50 |
| 413 | C. F. Stoll, expense D. D. G. M., 46th District..... | 32.99 |
| 414 | Ralph H. Wheeler, salary for September..... | 208.37 |
| 415 | Isaac Cutter, salary for September..... | 250.00 |
| 416 | Roy Adams, salary for September..... | 100.00 |
| 417 | Isaac Cutter, miscellaneous expense and clerk hire..... | 90.00 |
| 418 | Ralph H. Wheeler, stenographer, private telephone, etc.. | 100.00 |
| 419 | L. A. Goddard, salary ending September..... | 100.00 |
| 420 | Ralph H. Wheeler, expense of grand master's office for September ..... | 102.30 |
| 421 | C. S. Gurney, expense and services as grand tyler..... | 67.11 |
| 422 | Wm. H. Bied, expenses and services as grand marshal... | 40.81 |
| 423 | Harvey T. Fletcher, in Re-Ill. Masonic homes..... | 88.00 |
| 424 | Arthur E. Wood, expenses Belleville and return..... | 12.81 |
| 425 | A. H. Serogin, expenses Olney, Opdyke and Charleston.. | 46.70 |

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| 426 | The Sullivan Progress, abstract of record | 67.00 |
| 427 | Wm. D. Price, to reimburse Sullivan maintenance account | 12.00 |
| 428 | Pantagraph Ptg. and Sta. Co., miscellaneous printing | 118.83 |
| 429 | H. Rainier, office supplies for grand secretary's office | 1.95 |
| 430 | J. L. Brewster, expense D. D. G. M., 8th District | 30.51 |
| 431 | John T. Miller, expense D. D. G. M., 10th District | 55.30 |
| 432 | Mark C. Kellar, expense D. D. G. M., 13th District | 36.26 |
| 433 | J. F. Blakeslee, expense D. D. G. M., 16th District | 9.60 |
| 434 | Emory Edwards, expense D. D. G. M., 30th District | 21.40 |
| 435 | J. L. Klemme, expense D. D. G. M., 33rd District | 29.93 |
| 436 | E. H. Fleming, expense D. D. G. M., 24th District | 42.49 |
| 437 | W. P. Wall, expense D. D. G. M., 35th District | 26.00 |
| 438 | L. A. Tripp, expense D. D. G. M., 37th District | 49.37 |
| 439 | S. A. Wright, expense D. D. G. M., 38th District | 52.90 |
| 440 | Jas. T. Athey, expense D. D. G. M., 40th District | 14.50 |
| 441 | A. Doherty, expense D. D. G. M., 42nd District | 19.88 |
| 442 | Charles W. Dean, expense D. D. G. M., 43rd District | 31.21 |
| 443 | S. E. Grigg, Jr., expense D. D. G. M., 44th District | 46.88 |
| 444 | Wainwright Davis, expense D. D. G. M., 45th District | 38.53 |
| 445 | John Armstrong, expense D. D. G. M., 48th District | 31.00 |
| 446 | R. R. Helm, expense D. D. G. M., 50th District | 55.84 |
| 447 | Isaac Cutter, office and miscellaneous expenses | 105.18 |
| | Total | $102,198.90 |

## Summary of Orders Drawn

### GENERAL

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|---|---|
| Monitors | $ 390.28 |
| Liberty bonds | 25,000.00 |
| Uniform receipts | 1,101.72 |
| Expenses D. D. G. M. | 1,375.78 |
| Expenses of grand secretary's office | 1,421.39 |
| Clerk hire, grand secretary's office | 600.00 |
| Expense of grand master's office | 1,013.13 |
| Stenographer for grand master | 1,200.00 |
| Committee on Correspondence | 500.00 |
| Salary grand tyler | 100.00 |
| Oriental consistory | 300.00 |
| Expense of Advisory Committee | 222.49 |
| Mileage and per diem | 21,357.61 |
| Printing, distributing Proceedings | 5,977.80 |
| Miscellaneous printing | 2,255.25 |
| Salaries of grand officers | 7,100.00 |

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| Schools of instruction | 2,016.32 |
| Miscellaneous expense | 6,248.78 |
| Equipment grand secretary's office | 443.35 |
| Committee on chartered lodges | 100.00 |
| Joseph Robbins memorial | 400.00 |
| Appraisals | 75.00 |
| Transferred to charity fund | 23,000.00 |
| Total | $102,198.90 |

RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES

CHARITY

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|---|---|
| Balance October 6, 1916 | $ 64,109.40 |
| Dues 1917 | 70,707.30 |
| Dues preceding years | 16.15 |
| Lodges U. D., 1916 | 17.10 |
| Lodges U. D., 1917 | 242.10 |
| Defunct lodge dues | 15.00 |
| Interest | 411.62 |
| Grand Royal Arch Chapter | 5,000.00 |
| Unexpended balances | 34.69 |
| Interest I. C. R. R. bonds | 700.00 |
| Interest Lincoln Park bonds | 400.00 |
| Interest Wabash R. R. bonds | 40.00 |
| Interest Cook County bonds | 500.00 |
| Interest City of Chicago bonds | 740.00 |
| Dividend on Masonic Temple stock | 6.00 |
| Interest on Mattoon Township bonds | 320.00 |
| Dividend on 47½ shares Union Lime Co | 950.00 |
| Income and residue of money C. C. Bishop Estate | 5,762.64 |
| Fire and tornado insurance, Sullivan | 367.05 |
| Cook County bonds matured | 10,000.00 |
| Dividend on 204 shares Union Lime Co | 1,632.00 |
| Interest on I. C. R. R. bonds | 50.00 |
| Transferred from general fund | 23,000.00 |
| Total | $185,021.05 |



ROGERS PARK MASONIC TEMPLE
Dedicated March 12, 1917




CAMP POINT MASONIC TEMPLE
Dedicated June 6, 1917

### Charity Fund

Orders have been drawn on this fund since the last annual meeting, as follows:

| Order Number | | |
|---|---|---|
| 12 | Canceled | |
| 13 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | $ 2,000.00 |
| 14 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 3,500.00 |
| | Special appropriation unpaid bills | 2,548.83 |
| | Special appropriation completing refrigerator | 500.00 |
| | Special appropriation for kitchen equipment | 1,500.00 |
| | Special appropriation for new road | 1,500.00 |
| 15 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 16 | C. S. Gurney, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 3,500.00 |
| 17 | C. S. Gurney, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 1,500.00 |
| 18 | Irving Shuman, for water supply | 500.00 |
| 19 | Irving Shuman, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 500.00 |
| 20 | C. S. Gurney, special appropriation to complete new barn | 3,000.00 |
| 21 | C. S. Gurney, donation to Grand Royal Arch Chapter | 5,000.00 |
| 22 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 23 | C. S. Gurney, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 2,500.00 |
| 24 | C. S. Gurney, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 1,500.00 |
| 25 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 1,500.00 |
| 26 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 1,000.00 |
| 27 | Wm. D. Price, for new dormitory | 2,000.00 |
| 28 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 29 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 5,000.00 |
| 30 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 2,000.00 |
| 31 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 1,000.00 |
| 32 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 33 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 3,000.00 |
| 34 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 2,000.00 |
| 35 | M. E. Robinson Coal Co., by order grand lodge | 9.60 |
| 36 | Wm. D. Price, for repairs to boilers | 1,000.00 |
| 37 | Wm. D. Price, for new road | 1,500.00 |
| 38 | W. D. Price, for water supply | 2,500.00 |
| 39 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 4,000.00 |
| 40 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 1,000.00 |
| 41 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 42 | Wm. D. Price, amount collected account fire at Sullivan | 330.50 |
| 43 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 2,000.00 |
| 44 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 2,000.00 |

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| 45 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 46 | Ralph H. Wheeler, funeral expense incurred by Cedar Springs Lodge No. 213, case of W. T. Tucker of San Jose Lodge No. 645 | 46.33 |
| 47 | M. E. Robinson Coal Co., by order of grand lodge | 9.60 |
| 48 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 4,000.00 |
| | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 2,000.00 |
| | Wm. D. Price, for manual training | 1,000.00 |
| 49 | Wm. D. Price, for new dormitory | 2,000.00 |
| 50 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 51 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 4,000.00 |
| 51 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 1,000.00 |
| 52 | Wm. D. Price, for new dormitory | 10,000.00 |
| 53 | Wm. D. Price, for water supply | 3,000.00 |
| 54 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 55 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 2,000.00 |
| 56 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 4,000.00 |
| 57 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 58 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 1,500.00 |
| | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 3,000.00 |
| 59 | Wm. D. Price, for manual training | 500.00 |
| | Wm. D. Price, for new dormitory | 10,000.00 |
| 60 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 61 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at Sullivan | 10,000.00 |
| 62 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance home at LaGrange | 5,000.00 |
| 63 | Wm. D. Price, for new dormitory | 10,000.00 |
| 64 | Wm. D. Price, for new boilers, home at Sullivan | 7,508.43 |
| 65 | Charity, by order of grand lodge | 15.00 |
| 66 | L. A. Goddard, for disbursements Illinois Forest Preserve bonds | 9,258.56 |
| 67 | Wm. D. Price, for new dormitory at Sullivan | 10,000.00 |
| 68 | Wm. D. Price, for maintenance | 2,000.00 |
| 69 | Order grand lodge | 15.00 |
| | Total | $163,391.85 |

### Summary of Orders Drawn

#### CHARITY

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|---|---|
| New boilers Sullivan | $ 7,508.43 |
| LaGrange maintenance | 26,000.00 |
| Sullivan maintenance | 52,000.00 |
| Unpaid bills | 2,548.83 |
| Completing refrigerating plant | 500.00 |
| Kitchen equipment | 1,500.00 |
| New road | 3,000.00 |
| New dormitory | 44,000.00 |
| Manual training | 1,500.00 |
| Water supply | 6,000.00 |
| Completing new barn | 3,000.00 |
| Repairs and renewals (boilers) | 1,000.00 |
| Grand Royal Arch Chapter donation | 5,000.00 |
| Investment (Ill. Forest Preserve bonds) | 9,258.56 |
| Account Fire and tornado insurance | 330.50 |
| Ordered by Charity Committee | 245.53 |
| Total | $163,391.85 |

### Recapitulation.

#### GENERAL FUND.

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| Receipts all sources | $187,486.75 |
| Orders drawn | 102,198.90 |
| Balance | $ 85,287.85 |

#### CHARITY FUND.

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| Receipts from all sources | $185,021.05 |
| Orders drawn | 163,391.85 |
| Balance | $ 21,629.20 |

#### PERMANENT FUND.

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| Receipts from all sources | $302.00 |
| No orders drawn | |

BALANCE SHEET.

| | Receipts | Disbursem'ts |
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| Balance October 6, 1916 | $151,262.57 | ..... |
| New boilers, Sullivan | ..... | $ 7,508.43 |
| Monitors | 6,987.65 | 390.28 |
| Dues 1917, general | 86,397.95 | ..... |
| Dues preceding year, general | 21.95 | ..... |
| Dues 1917, charity | 70,707.30 | ..... |
| Dues preceding year, charity | 16.15 | ..... |
| Dispensations | 1,290.00 | ..... |
| Music | 182.85 | ..... |
| Dues U. D., preceding year, general | 20.90 | ..... |
| Dues U. D., 1917, general | 295.90 | ..... |
| Dues U. D., preceding year, charity | 17.10 | ..... |
| Dues U. D., 1917, charity | 242.10 | ..... |
| General fund, miscellaneous | 2,860.00 | 25,000.00 |
| Charity fund, miscellaneous | 21,502.38 | 9,834.59 |
| Defunct lodge dues | 15.00 | ..... |
| Uniform receipts | 1,316.77 | 1,101.72 |
| Blue Books and Ceremonials | 147.10 | ..... |
| Expenses of D. D. G. Masters | ..... | 1,375.78 |
| Expenses of grand secretary | ..... | 1,421.39 |
| Clerk hire, office of grand secretary | ..... | 600.00 |
| Expenses of grand master | ..... | 1,013.13 |
| Stenographer for grand master | ..... | 1,200.00 |
| Committee on Correspondence | ..... | 500.00 |
| Grand tyler | ..... | 100.00 |
| Hall rent | ..... | 300.00 |
| Advisory Committee, expense | ..... | 222.49 |
| Mileage and per diem | 21.00 | 21,357.61 |
| Printing and distributing Proceedings | ..... | 5,977.80 |
| Miscellaneous printing | ..... | 2,255.25 |
| Salaries | ..... | 7,100.00 |
| Schools of Instruction | ..... | 2,016.32 |
| Miscellaneous expense | ..... | 6,248.78 |
| LaGrange maintenance | ..... | 26,000.00 |
| Sullivan maintenance | ..... | 52,000.00 |
| Interest, general | 791.51 | ..... |
| Interest, charity | 411.62 | ..... |
| Equipment, grand secretary's office | ..... | 443.35 |
| Chartered lodges | ..... | 100.00 |
| Joseph Robbins Memorial | ..... | 400.00 |

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| Unpaid bills | | 2,548.83 |
| Complete refrigerating plant | | 500.00 |
| Kitchen equipment | | 1,500.00 |
| New road | | 3,000.00 |
| New dormitory | | 44,000.00 |
| Manual Training | | 1,500.00 |
| Adequate water supply | | 6,000.00 |
| Complete new barn | | 3,000.00 |
| Repairs and renewals (boilers) | | 1,000.00 |
| Appraisals | | 75.00 |
| Permanent fund | 302.00 | |
| Grand Royal Arch Chapter | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| | $349,809.80 | $242,590.75 |
| Balance State Bank Chicago | | 107,219.05 |
| | $349,809.80 | $349,809.80 |

The result of the vote on the proposed amendments to the Constitution will be found in the appendix.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

### REPORT—Committee on Correspondence.

Bro. Charles H. Martin presented his report as Committee on Correspondence. It was received, ordered printed in the proceedings and will be found in the appendix.

### REPORT—Committee on Grand Master's Annual Report.

Bro. Harry N. McFarlane, chairman of the Committee on Grand Master's Report, presented the report of that committee. On motion, it was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of the State of Illinois:*

Your committee has carefully analyzed the subject matter contained in the grand master's report and find the duties of the office have been very exacting and a great amount of time has been required to take care of the business that has been brought to his attention.

The several subjects that require the attention of other committees we recommend be distributed as follows: Necrology, to the Committee on Obituaries; code quiz, military lodges, special dispensations, remission of dues, conservation, loss of the three principal officers by lodges, and interpretation of law, to the Committee on Jurisprudence; Grand Master's Advisory Council, constitutional amendment and trials by commission to the Committee on New Legislation; grand secretary's office, relief of members abroad, legal investments and that portion of the schools of instruction that refers to the publication of the address of Brother Newton, to the Committee on Finance. Schools of Instruction and receiving the flag to the Board of Grand Examiners; Discipline and Cipher Rituals to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances. Homes to both the Board of Managers and Committee on Finance; lodges instituted to the Committee on Lodges U. D.; Liberty Loan to both Grand Master's Advisory Council and Committee on Finance; club rooms to a special committee, with the recommendation that the rule of 1915 be repealed.

We approve the action of the grand master in the laying of corner stones and dedication of masonic temples and public buildings and in constituting the lodges chartered at the previous meeting of this grand lodge.

The grand master has availed himself of the opportunity to visit three other grand lodges besides numerous local lodges. These visits greatly strengthen the fraternal relations with other grand lodges, and between the constituent lodges and the grand lodge. We appreciate the fact that the grand master has found time to make the visitations.

We concur in the filling of the several vacancies caused by death and resignations and the appointment of grand representatives near other lodges.

The system of distributing the business of the grand master's office between the deputy grand master, grand wardens and district deputy grand masters, has been the means of relieving the grand master of many questions that could easily be decided by these officers and has left the grand master free to devote his time to the more important matters that have arisen at various times and has also brought about more intimate relations between the executive officers and the lodges. The close relations thus established has created additional interest in Masonry and we recommend the continuance of the system.

The demand for copies of the new monitor shows the wisdom of the grand lodge in adopting this work; the studies of the committee, combined with the beautiful work of the printer, unite in making our official monitor "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." The translation of this work into German stands as a monument to the labor of love performed by Bro. Felix von W. -Wysow.

We approve the expenditures of the several amounts authorized by the Committee on Charity. We endorse the action of the grand master in at-

tending the meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association at Alexandria, Virginia.

The prompt action of the grand master to ascertain the needs of the brethren that were in the path of the cyclone that devastated Mattoon and Charleston is to be commended, and the offers of assistance by the various lodges shows true masonic charity even though the help was not needed.

The donation for the support of the Royal Arch Masons Hospital and the Home at Sullivan from the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Illinois, has been of material assistance in the maintenance of those institutions and is greatly appreciated.

The decision of the Supreme Court in regard to the LaGrange School case is a source of gratification to the grand lodge, and the thanks of this grand body should be tendered to those in charge of the litigation.

The redivision of the state into a larger number of districts has become a necessity. This committee is aware of instances where a deputy has been compelled to use two full days time to visit a lodge; this can be avoided by a scientific redistricting of the state and we suggest that this be done according to the recommendation of the grand master.

The action of the grand master in disclaiming for Masonry all religious articles of a particular character appearing in certain masonic publications is hereby emphatically approved. We recommend that the grand lodge concur in this also.

The committee congratulates the grand master on the excellence of his administration, the admirable manner in which he has handled the numerous questions that have come up and the fearlessness and impartiality with which he has enforced the law in every case.

Personally we desire to express our appreciation of the appointment and return our sincere thanks for the honor of having had a part in his administration.

Respectfully submitted,

H. N. McFarlane,
E. L. Holmes,
E. R. Turnbull,
*Committee.*

## INTRODUCTIONS.

Bro. Alexander H. Bell introduced Bro. John W. Barry, Grand Master of Masons of the state of Iowa, to the brethren.

Bro. Isaac Cutter introduced Bro. Newton R. Parvin, Grand Secretary, of Iowa.

Bro. Austin H. Scrogin introduced Bro. George Schoonover, past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, and President of the National Masonic Research Society.

The distinguished brethren from Iowa addressed the Grand Lodge in a happy manner.

### REPORT—Committee on Libraries.

Bro. Charles W. Walduck, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Libraries. It was adopted.

October 1st, 1917.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Your committee is pleased to report a continuation of the satisfactory condition of the libraries in the Homes at LaGrange and Sullivan, although mention might be made of the need of one copy each United States Dispensatory and U. S. Pharmacopeia at LaGrange, and additional book cases at the Sullivan Home.

Newspapers and magazines are plentiful, and the regular subscription list consists of the following, the major portion of which naturally is sent to Sullivan.

10 Saturday Evening Post.
8 Ladies' Home Journal.
1 Country Gentlemen.
4 McClures' Magazine.
1 Scientific American.
2 Popular Science.
2 Pictorial Review.
6 American Magazine.
3 Puck.
3 Judge.
3 Life.
3 Colliers.
3 Leslie's Weekly.
1 Harper's Weekly (now the Independent).
1 Literary Digest.

1 Illustrated London News, American Edition.
8 Decatur Herald.
20 Chicago Tribune.
10 Chicago Herald.

Detailed report of receipts and expenditures as follows:—

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| Cash on hand October 1st, 1916 | | $555.21 |

DISBURSEMENTS

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| 1916 | | |
| Oct. 1—The Chicago Tribune, 20 copies 6 months | $ 40.00 | |
| Oct. 31—A. C. McClurg & Co., books for library | 4.29 | |
| Nov. 1—Chicago Legal News Co., book of statutes | 6.50 | |
| 1917 | | |
| Feb. 21—A. C. McClurg & Co., books for library | 1.19 | |
| March 20—A. C. McClurg & Co., 6 copies Saturday Evening Post, 5 copies Ladies' Home Journal | 16.50 | |
| March 20—Chicago Herald, 10 copies Herald 1 year | 40.00 | |
| April 7—Chicago Tribune, 20 copies 6 months | 40.00 | |
| April 26—Decatur Herald, 8 copies Herald 1 year | 28.00 | |
| May 22—Curtis Publishing Co., 5 Saturday Evening Post, 3 Ladies' Home Journal, 1 Country Gentleman | 13.00 | |
| May 22—Subscriptions for LaGrange | 11.00 | |
| June 4—Crowell Publishing Co., magazine subscriptions | 98.25 | |
| Sept. 7—The Sturgis Co., 1 set reference books for the LaGrange Home | 16.50 | |
| Total Disbursements | | 315.23 |
| Balance on hand October 1st, 1917 | | $239.98 |

In the report of the Committee on Libraries at the annual meeting of the grand lodge in 1916, mention was made of each lodge possessing a library whether large or small. Every person of intelligence should buy books and one will find that the habit of owning books and having them about, is a source of great pleasure. It pays to buy books, even if you do not read all of them, and this applies to a Masonic lodge as well as to the individual.

The selection of a library is no easy matter, but it would seem that books of reference would be the more suitable for a lodge library, and we name herewith a list of books for consideration, which includes not only those which have to do with the history, literature and poetry of our great institution, but a few others that are not out of place anywhere.

Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, years 1840 to 1917 inclusive, half morocco, as nearly complete as possible.

A complete history of your own lodge, suitably bound.

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| Mackeys Encyclopedia of Freemasonry, 1 vol. 8 vo. sheep | $ 6.50 |
| Robert Morris, Poetry of Freemasonry, cloth, 8 vo | 3.50 |
| Gould, History of Freemasonry, half leather Quarto 4 vols | 15.00 |
| Boutelle, The Man of St. Moriah, cloth, 8 vo. 298 pages | 2.40 |
| Lawrence, Masonic Jurisprudence, 300 pages, cloth, 8 vo | 3.00 |
| Fritz & Harmon, Jewels of Masonic Eloquence and Stories, cloth 350 pages | 2.00 |
| Higgins, The Beginning of Masonry, 8 vo., cloth | 1.50 |
| Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, full seal | 5.00 |
| Newton, The Builders, 8 vo., cloth | 1.50 |
| Elson, History of the United States of America | 1.75 |
| Green, A Short History of England with Epilogue | 2.00 |
| Botsford, History Orient, Greece and Rome | 1.80 |
| Century Dictionary and Cyclopedia, 12 mo. Buckram Imperial 8 vo. Limited Edition | 24.00 |
| Wood, Quotations for Occasions, cloth | 1.50 |
| Fallows, Complete Dictionary of Synonyms and Antonyms, cloth | 1.00 |

A neat sectional book case.

The above is a short list and is offered only as a suggestion, and with the thought and the hope that it will assist in the cultivation of a desire, particularly among our younger members, for a further knowledge of history and literature.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. WALDUCK,
GEO. L. HILLIKER,
W. A. DIXON,
*Committee.*

## REPORT—Committee on Obituaries.

Bro. Thomas G. Kerwin presented the report of the Committee on Obituaries. It was adopted by a rising vote.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Brethren:

The duties of the Committee on Obituaries, because of the solemn nature of the work, are neither inviting nor pleasant, but nevertheless they have their compensations. When we consider the appalling destruction of human

life resulting from the awful struggle across the seas, and we are daily confronted with columns of figures tabulating the ruthless and wholesale slaughter of millions of young men, as well as a multitude of other things that seem atrocious and unnecessary, there comes to us a kind of merciful contrast, a sense of gratitude and solace that the brethren whose abridged biographies it is our province to examine, have as a rule, peacefully and comfortably exceeded the allotted age of man.

Among these honored dead, octogenarians are no exception, and the century mark is not infrequently approached.

We sometimes feel that there is a grievous injustice which cries out here and there from these obituaries.

It isn't so much due to the quality of the material as it is to the ability of the workman, that a glowing eulogy is produced.

Mediocrity is sometimes adulated and genius often ignored.

A great man dies—one whose labors render his life worthy of the highest tribute, and the duty of perpetuating his record may peradventure, fall into the hands of a careless or incompetent brother. The subject will therefore be unappreciated or disregarded, and an injustice done.

Another whose work may have been of the "routine" kind—of those legions who follow the beaten path—honorable and worthy, no doubt, but lacking in brilliancy or achievement, or both; and the eulogy may be the work of an artist—a word painter—who transfigures the common and glorifies his subject; and a magnified extolment is the result.

The Craft being universally desirous of paying just tribute to the lives and attainments of deceased worthies this condition is therefore unfortunate and seemingly without remedy.

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But brief and inadequate as these obituaries sometimes appear, a fund of salutary instruction may be had from their perusal.

Lessons in the art of living long and honorably may be gleaned from almost every line.

That the practice of Masonry—i.e., to live in conformity with Masonic regulations, to observe its moral code, to be active in its activities, and to enjoy the associations it affords—is conducive to longevity, is obvious.

Right living and right thinking assure an exemplary life, and these are the first principles of Masonry.

The familiar expression: "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy Youth," is a wise exhortation and carries in its fulfillment the promise of health, of joy, and of contentment, through those later years when the "almond tree" shall flourish.

To live agreeably to the dictates of the Four Cardinal Virtues—Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice—is alone sufficient, for there is no human action that this quartette of wholesome sisters does not either modify or govern.

These Virtues (as evidenced by the lives of great Masons) if cultivated at every period of life produce wonderful fruits for us when we are sojouring on the "downside" of life's journey.

The stories of the splendid careers of these grand old Masons, in their declining days surrounded by hosts of friends and relatives, and honored and revered by the Craft, makes healthful and inspiring reading to the ambitious.

The lessons to be drawn from these obituaries are summarized in the most expressive manner by the aged Polonius in his noted admonition to his son—an admonition rife with thought, advice and precept: all of which find a counterpart in masonic teaching:

"Give thy thoughts no tongue nor any unproportioned thought his act.

Be thou familiar but by no means vulgar.

Those friends thou hast and their adoption tried, grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel, but do not dull thy palm with entertainment of each new-hatched, unfledged comrade.

Beware of entrance to a quarrel, but being in bear it that the opposed may beware of thee.

Give every man thy ear, but few thy voice.

Take each man's censure, but reserve thy judgment.

Costly thy habit as thy purse can buy, but not expressed in fancy; rich, not gaudy, for the apparel oft proclaims the man.

Neither a borrower nor a lender be; for loan oft losses both itself and friends, and borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry.

This above all:

To thine own self be true, and it must follow as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

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## The Obituary Record.

### Bro. Albert B. Ashley

PAST GRAND MASTER, 1910-1911.

Born September 9, 1838; Died November 1, 1916.

Albert Bartlett Ashley, son of Eldridge Gerry and Henrietta Maria (Booth) Ashley, was born at Middleborough (now Lakeville), Plymouth



ALBERT B. ASHLEY

M. W. GRAND MASTER 1910-1911

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

County, Massachusetts, Sept. 9, 1838. He was of old New England extraction, and his ancestral line on his father's side may be traced back seven generations and on his mother's side eight generations, or to the Plymouth colony in 1623, some of these forbears having fought in the Colonial, Indian and Revolutionary Wars. A strong desire to traverse the seas early took possession of this hardy boy. Having attended Public School for few years, at the age of fifteen he sailed from New Bedford on a whaling ship and continued a seafaring life, either on whaling or merchant voyages until the breaking out of the Civil war. That he acquired a thorough knowledge of seamanship is evidenced by the fact that at the age of twenty-two he navigated a sailing vessel from Palamo, Sicily, down the Mediterranean, through the straits of Gibraltar, across the Atlantic Ocean to Boston.

In April 1861, he entered the U. S. Navy and served on board the steam Frigate Mississippi (of which Lieutenant, now Admiral, Geo. Dewey was the executive officer) which was attached to the Gulf Blockading Squadron and participated in the bombardment of Pensacola and Mobile in 1861 and the battle and capture of New Orleans in April 1862.

He left the Navy in June following and soon after enlisted in the 3rd Mass. Infantry, serving in North Carolina until the fall of 1863 when he went north and assisted in recruiting a Company for the 4th Mass. Cav. with which he served until entering Charleston, S. C., in February 1865 when he was transferred to the 21st U. S. Infantry.

He enlisted as a private soldier and rose to the rank of Captain of a Company while in the Army. He participated in many battles and was twice wounded.

In July 1865 he was detached from his command and appointed Quartermaster of Marine Transportation of the Department of the South, consisting of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, having charge of all Government transports in the department, with headquarters at Hilton Head, S. C.

In October 1865, while acting in this capacity he met Miss Jeannette W. Miller, daughter of Captain S. N. Miller of the U. S. Revenue Service, to whom he was married on the Thirtieth of that month, and to whom were born two children, a son and a daughter.

In April 1867 he left the U. S. service and returned to his home in the north where he remained until 1869 when he was sent to Terre Haute, Ind., by eastern capitalists to take charge of a Coal mining company and to open coal mines. This company he managed until 1873 when he was sent to Kewanee, Ill., as manager of the Lathrop Coal and Mining Co., where he remained seventeen years, making twenty-one years in the same employ.

In 1889 he was called to Streator, Ill., as Supt. of Mines for the C. W. & V. Coal Co., and in 1891 he went to Brazil, Ind., as General Manager of the Block Coal Syndicate, a consolidation of several Coal Companies,

which he managed until 1893, running twenty-two coal mines in Indiana and Illinois and employing between three and four thousand miners.

In 1893 he resigned and removed to La Grange, Ill., and engaged in the real estate business.

In the same year he purchased a site and built a fifty room Summer Resort, since known as "Ashley Heights" on Spring Lake, Mich. This he managed most of the years, during the summer months, until the spring of 1913, when he disposed of the property.

He owned a private home on Spring Lake, Mich., where he with Mrs. Ashley, their children, grand children, and such friends as chose to honor them spent the summers.

He was made a Master Mason in King David Lodge, Taunton, Mass., Dec. 19th, 1863. In 1874 he dimitted, and affiliated with Kewanee Lodge No. 169, Kewanee, Ill., and served as its master seven years.

He received the Capitular degrees in Kewanee Chapter in 1875 and the Council degrees in 1877 and was created a Knight Templar in Temple Commandery No. 20, Princeton, Ill., in 1879.

The Consistory degrees he received in Bloomington and Peoria Consistories in 1911 and the Mystic Shrine in Mahomed Temple, Peoria, Ill., in the same year.

In 1877 he was initiated in the Order of the Eastern Star in Harmony Chapter, Kewanee, Ill., and served several terms as its Patron and served as Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter three years, being elected in 1883, 1884 and 1885.

He was appointed a Grand Lecturer by Grand Master Joseph Robbins in 1878 and has been re-appointed each year since.

In July 1887 he was appointed a member of the Board of Grand Examiners by Grand Master A. T. Darrah and, excepting one year, when he was absent from the state, served as such until Oct. 1903 and during the last four years as Chairman of the Board.

He was elected Jr. Grand Warden in 1903-4. Sr. Grand Warden in 1905-6. Deputy Grand Master in 1907-8 and M. W. Grand Master in 1909-10.

Bro. Ashley's wide and varied experience eminently fitted him for the great station he attained in the realm of Freemasonry; and although a many-sided man of splendid attainments, he will be remembered chiefly as a highly accomplished ritualist. In the art of interpreting and expressing Masonic thoughts he had few, if any, superiors. A continuous service as a Grand Lecturer for nearly forty years makes the influence of his teaching and the effect of his histrionic art upon the minds of the craft incalculable.

In Bro. Ashley's demise, the fraternity is bereft of a true friend and brother and an able and conscientious exponent of Masonic work.

Masonic services were solemnized on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 5, 1916, at Oriental Consistory, Chicago, under the direction of the M.W. Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, after which the remains were conveyed to the deceased's country home at Spring Lake, Mich., and there deposited with the usual ceremonies of the craft.

When we take into account the years and years of unrelenting activity and adventure that he experienced; when we think of him as a sailor, a soldier, a miner and business man; as a fisher and hunter and a lover of the woods and waters, we feel that the sentiment expressed in Stevenson's Requiem would be a fitting farewell to so brave and tender a man:

"Under the wide and starry sky,
Dig the grave and let me lie.
Glad did I live and gladly die,
And I lay me down with a will.

This be the verse you grave for me:
Here he lies where he longed to be;
Home is the sailor, home from the sea,
And the hunter home from the hill."

To his widow, children, relatives and friends we tender our deepest sympathy.

As a token of respect to the memory of our departed Brother it is hereby ordered that this memorial be read in each lodge in this Jurisdiction at the first stated meeting after its receipt, and that the charter and Great Lights be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days thereafter.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Seal of the Grand Lodge to be affixed this first day of December, A. D. 1916, A. L. 5916.

### Masters and Past Masters of Illinois.

Edward Payson Kirby, Worshipful Master Harmony Lodge, No. 3, 1862, died Feb. 25, 1917.

George Wilbur Bright, Worshipful Master Macon Lodge, No. 8, 1867-68-71-74-80, died April 7, 1917.

Charles Leland Hovey, Worshipful Master Macon Lodge, No. 8, 1887-8-9, died March 1, 1917.

Charles H. Brown, Worshipful Master Peoria Lodge, No. 15, 1904, died June 25, 1917.

Frank E. Beebe, Worshipful Master Peoria Lodge, No. 15, 1916, died May 1, 1917.

Jep. P. Grosboll, Worshipful Master Clinton Lodge, No. 19, 1908 and 1912, died Dec. 29, 1916.

Wm. A. Haskell, Worshipful Master Piasa Lodge, No. 27, 1887, died July 13, 1916.

William James Calhoun, Worshipful Master Olive Branch Lodge, No. 38, 1880-1881, died Sept. 19, 1916.

Ferdinand Munch, Worshipful Master Mt. Joliet Lodge, No. 42, 1892-3-4-5-6-7-8-9, died Jan. 31, 1917.

George Rogers Smith, Worshipful Master Bloomington Lodge, No. 43, 1899-1900, died April 21, 1917.

Alexander Hearst, Worshipful Master Temple Lodge, No. 46, 1873-76-77, died Sept. 7, 1916.

Frank Wendell Buell, Worshipful Master Saint Mark's Lodge, No. 63, 1900, died Oct. 13, 1916.

Oscar H. Harpham, Worshipful Master Havana Lodge, No. 88, 1889 and 1891, died Sept. 7, 1916.

Edgar A. Wallace, Worshipful Master Havana Lodge, No. 88, 1892, died Oct. 10, 1916.

William K. Wood, Worshipful Master Jerusalem Temple Lodge, No. 90, 1881, died Oct. 25, 1916.

John E. Morton, Worshipful Master Perry Lodge, No. 95, (no date given), died Jan. 29, 1917.

John Watson, Worshipful Master Taylor Lodge, No. 98, 1881, died Sept. 24, 1916.

Henry M. Cox, Worshipful Master Vermont Lodge, No. 116, 1880, died June 4, 1917.

Willis Henry Newton, Worshipful Master Elgin Lodge, No. 117, 1909, died March 19, 1917.

W. H. Trent, Worshipful Master Greenup Lodge, No. 125, 1897, died Dec. 20, 1916.

Edwin A. Belknap, Worshipful Master Greenfield Lodge, No. 129, (no date given), died June 18, 1917.

Wm. T. Martin, Sr., Worshipful Master Marshall Lodge, No. 133, 1882, died Jan. 11, 1917.

Chester H. Latham, Worshipful Master A. W. Rawson Lodge, No. 145, 1883-4, died Oct. 11, 1916.

Thomas Nicholson, Worshipful Master Lee Center Lodge, No. 146, three years, died Oct. 8, 1916.

Eli Bradney Ball, Worshipful Master Clayton Lodge, No. 147, 1886-7-8-9, died March 10, 1917.

Nelson P. Frost, Worshipful Master Bunker Hill Lodge, No. 151, four years, died May 26, 1917.

Joseph Oscar Cunningham, Worshipful Master Urbana Lodge, No. 157, 1868 and 1874, died April 30, 1917.

Henry William Roughton, Worshipful Master Urbana Lodge, No. 157, 1901, died Nov. 26, 1916.

William Simpson Wallace, Worshipful Master Hope Lodge, No. 162, 1917, died March 3, 1917.

Joseph L. Smith, Worshipful Master Evergreen Lodge, No. 170, 1907, died Feb. 23, 1917.

Arthur L. Wolfe, Worshipful Master Girard Lodge, No. 171, 1904-5-6, died Dec. 11, 1916.

J. M. Schermerhorn, Worshipful Master Lena Lodge, No. 174, 1858, died March 27, 1917.

John Barnard Fithian, Worshipful Master Matteson Lodge, No. 175, 1884-5-6-7-91-92, died March 8, 1917.

Josias R. Ripley, Worshipful Master Staunton Lodge, No. 177, 1883-4-5-9-90, died April 23, 1917.

Albert W. Uzzell, Worshipful Master Staunton Lodge, No. 177, 1907-8, died June 8, 1917.

Frank Wooldrige, Worshipful Master Wabash Lodge, No. 179, 1889, died Sept. 30, 1916.

Joseph C. Cavins, Worshipful Master Wabash Lodge, No. 179, 1872-80-85-96, died April 28, 1917.

George W. Cline, Worshipful Master Abingdon Lodge, No. 185, 1901 and 1906, died Oct. 2, 1916.

Solon Perry Hill, Worshipful Master Flora Lodge, No. 204, (no date given), died March 14, 1917.

Frank R. Gay, Worshipful Master Logan Lodge, No. 210, 1917, died Jan. 13, 1917.

John McLaren, Worshipful Master Cleveland Lodge, No. 211, 1870-71, died July 26, 1916.

William R. Hooper, Worshipful Master New Salem Lodge, No. 218, 1885-6, died Dec. 26, 1916.

James S. Patchen, Worshipful Master Horicon Lodge, No. 244, 1868 and 1871, died Sept. 6, 1916.

John Battershell Newton, Worshipful Master Heyworth Lodge, No. 251, 1914, died Sept. 10, 1916.

George Washington Shaw, Worshipful Master Mattoon Lodge, No. 260, 1902, died May 18, 1917.

John W. Osman, Worshipful Master Vermilion Lodge, No. 265, (no date given), died Dec. 19, 1916.

Thomas A. Maul, Worshipful Master Levi Lusk Lodge, No. 270, (no date given).

Charles Rapeley Grout, Worshipful Master Blaney Lodge, No. 271, 1897, died April 18, 1917.

William Frederick Biesmann, Worshipful Master Miners Lodge, No. 273, 1899-1900, died Sept. 8, 1916.

Stephen A. Clark, Worshipful Master Jo Daviess Lodge, No. 278, 1878, died Jan. 22, 1917.

David Van Rensaeller, Worshipful Master Meteor Lodge No. 283, 1894, died Nov. 14, 1916.

Carlton W. Palmer, Worshipful Master Wataga Lodge, No. 291, 1908-9, died Sept. 11, 1916.

Stephen Palmer Barnes, Worshipful Master Quincy Lodge, No. 296, (no date given), died April 14, 1917.

Wm. Leitev, Worshipful Master Dearborn Lodge, No. 310, 1896, died May 12, 1915.

Charles B. Ott, Worshipful Master Kilwinning Lodge, No. 311, 1914, died March 26, 1917.

Isaac H. Gilpin, Worshipful Master Windsor Lodge, No. 322, 1883-85-86-94-98, died May 3, 1917.

Christian Dittweiler, Worshipful Master Summerfield Lodge, No. 342, 1898, died April 26, 1917.

James T. Lindsay, Worshipful Master Flat Rock Lodge, No. 348, (no date given), died Feb., 1917.

Joseph White, Worshipful Master Hermitage Lodge, No. 356, 1909-10, died June 29, 1917.

Louis A. Kaiser, Worshipful Master Tonica Lodge, No. 364, 1888-90-91-04, died Dec. 18, 1916.

Andrew Hansen, Worshipful Master Livingston Lodge, No. 371, 1895-1900, died Oct. 8, 1916.

William Irving Holcomb, Worshipful Master Kankakee Lodge, No. 389, 1907-8, died March 10, 1917.

Samuel F. White, Worshipful Master Blair Lodge, No. 393, 1871, died June 22, 1917.

Charles James Blum, Worshipful Master Blair Lodge, No. 393, 1917, died Jan. 3, 1917.

John Griffith Erwin, Worshipful Master Jerseyville Lodge, No. 394, 1891, died Sept. 16, 1916.

John N. Stone, Worshipful Master Jerseyville Lodge, No. 394, died Jan. 11, 1917.

John W. Doolen, Worshipful Master Kinmundy Lodge, No. 398, 1909, died Dec. 9, 1916.

Albert D. Boal, Worshipful Master Buda Lodge, No. 399, 1866-67, died Aug. 22, 1916.

Charles Lichtenberger, Worshipful Master Hesperia Lodge, No. 411, 1885-6, died Nov. 15, 1916.

David Samuels, Sr., Worshipful Master Marseilles Lodge, No. 417, 1876-82-83-84-86-87-88-89-90-95, died Sept. 24, 1916.

Phillip A. Conrath, Worshipful Master Freeburg Lodge, No. 418, (no date given), died Dec. 23, 1916.

John Nugent, Woshipful Master Oregon Lodge, No. 420, 1909, died May 15, 1917.

Edward S. Thomas, Worshipful Master Landmark Lodge, No. 422, 1895, died April 29, 1917.

Luke Funk, Worshipful Master Exeter Lodge, No. 424, (no date given), died Feb. 14, 1917.

David M. Baird, Worshipful Master Sunbeam Lodge, No. 428, 1897-8-9-1900-09-10, Grand Lecturer and D.D.G.M. 12th District 1912-13, died March 26, 1917.

Alexander McKenzie, Worshipful Master Chebanse Lodge, No. 429, 1911, died March 23, 1917.

Fred Schultz, Worshipful Master Cave in Rock Lodge, No. 444, two years, died July, 1916.

Joseph Jones, Worshipful Master Loami Lodge, No. 450, 1876-77-78-80-81-83-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-96, died Aug. 21, 1916.

Byron Travis, Worshipful Master Bromwell Lodge, No. 451, 1890-91-92, died Jan. 23, 1917.

Warner J. Compton, Worshipful Master Maroa Lodge, No. 454, 1902, died Jan. 28, 1917.

La Fayette Pierce Smith, Worshipful Master Palmyra Lodge, No. 463, 1884, died Nov. 28, 1916.

John Fitzgerald, Worshipful Master Kendall Lodge, No. 471, 1897-98, died Feb. 21, 1917.

John McOrnbee, Worshipful Master Kendall Lodge, No. 471, 1872, died June 21, 1917.

Madison G. Nixon, Worshipful Master Columbia Lodge, No. 474, ten years, died Jan. 12, 1917.

Elias Charles Rockenfield, Worshipful Master Bowen Lodge, No. 486, 1908, died Dec. 8, 1916.

David Green Tilley, Worshipful Master Clay City Lodge, No. 488, 1887-88, died June 9, 1917.

John T. Evans, Worshipful Master Clay City Lodge, No. 488, 1870-71-75-77-78-80-81-82-83-84-85-86, died Feb. 4, 1917.

George W. Ransdell, Worshipful Master Cooper Lodge, No. 489, 1913, died Sept. 16, 1916.

James Lane Hargitt, Worshipful Master Saint Paul's Lodge, No. 500, 1893, died Oct. 1, 1916.

John James Fyke, Worshipful Master Odin Lodge, No. 503, 1899-1900-1902, died Nov. 26, 1916.

Samuel D. Phillips, Worshipful Master Odin Lodge, No. 503, 1903 and 1913, died Jan. 5, 1917.

Joseph A. Hindman, Worshipful Master John D. Moody Lodge, No. 510, twelve years, died Jan. 2, 1917.

Harmon Phenix, Worshipful Master Bradford Lodge, No. 514, (no date given), died Feb. 26, 1917.

Samuel Kennedy, Worshipful Master Andalusia Lodge, No. 516, 1888, died Sept. 16, 1916.

Edwin Myers, Worshipful Master Illiopolis Lodge, No. 521, 1911, died Dec. 15, 1916.

Elmer David Howell, Worshipful Master Monitor Lodge, No. 522, 1893, died Feb. 7, 1917.

William Smailes, Worshipful Master Monitor Lodge, No. 522, 1881, died April 25, 1917.

Japh Knotts, Worshipful Master Chatham Lodge, No. 523, (no date given), died Sept. 26, 1916.

Gorham B. Coffin, Worshipful Master Covenant Lodge, No. 526, 1877, died Dec. 23, 1916.

Nelson M. Bassett, Worshipful Master Oak Park Lodge, No. 540, 1882, died Jan. 5, 1917.

Peter W. Reynolds, Worshipful Master Sharon Lodge, No. 550, 1903, died July 27, 1916.

James Charles Huetson, Worshipful Master Long Point Lodge, 552, (no date given), died June 11, 1917.

Isaac W. Flood, Worshipful Master Leland Lodge, No. 558, 1881, died Oct. 13, 1916.

William W. McMann, Worshipful Master Gardner Lodge, No. 573, 1868-69-70, died Oct. 24, 1916.

Augustus P. Morse, Worshipful Master Pera Lodge, No. 574, 1893, died April 4, 1917.

Lorton L. Ackerson, Worshipful Master Princeton Lodge, No. 587, 1898-99, died Feb. 20, 1917.

William C. Bradley, Worshipful Master Watson Lodge, No. 602, 1907, died March 29, 1917.

Joseph Rudolph Smith, Worshipful Master Lincoln Park Lodge, No. 611, 1913, died May 22, 1917.

C. R. Warwick, Worshipful Master Wadley Lodge, No. 616, 1904, died March 11, 1917.

William A. B. Tate, Worshipful Master Buckley Lodge, No. 634, (no date given), died Nov., 1916.

James Barnhart, Worshipful Master Peotone Lodge, No. 636, 1893-94, died Oct. 5, 1916.

Edwin C. Lambach, Worshipful Master Keystone Lodge, No. 639, 1908, died April 24, 1917.

George D. Strecker, Worshipful Master D. C. Cregier Lodge, No. 643, 1899, died Oct. 20, 1916.

Herbert B. Hayden, Worshipful Master Rock Island Lodge, No. 658, 1911, died July, 1917.

David M. Erskine, Worshipful Master A. O. Fay Lodge, No. 676, 1888-89-90-91, died Oct. 21, 1916.

Edward Wood Peterson, Worshipful Master Garfield Lodge, No. 686, 1902; D.D.G.M. 6th District five years, Grand Lecturer, member Finance Committee, Grand Lodge, died July 10, 1917.

John Wesley Gross, Worshipful Master Englewood Lodge, No. 690, 1889, died March 24, 1917.

John Milton Darr, Worshipful Master Ewing Lodge, No. 705, ten years, died Nov. 16, 1916.

Wm. J. Swanson, Worshipful Master Star Lodge, No. 709, 1913-14, died March 31, 1917.

Robt. E. Peet, Worshipful Master Providence Lodge, No. 711, 1889-90, died Oct. 20, 1916.

Fred Geo. Diefenbach, Worshipful Master Calumet Lodge, No. 716, 1885, died April 17, 1917.

Charles Wesley Kersteter, Worshipful Master Golden Rule Lodge, No. 726, 1908, died March 23, 1917.

Warren T. Wiltberger, Worshipful Master Waterman Lodge, No. 728, sixteen years, died July 31, 1917.

John Boyer, Worshipful Master Lake Creek Lodge, No. 729, 1911-12, died July 6, 1916.

Alexander Richard Beck, Worshipful Master Harbor Lodge, No. 731, 1875-76-77-79, died Sept. 20, 1916.

William H. Bernard, Worshipful Master Sheridan Lodge, No. 735, 1904 and 1906, died Sept. 26, 1916.

John T. Essany, Worshipful Master Akin Lodge, No. 749, (no date given), died April 30, 1917.

Enoch Summers, Worshipful Master Akin Lodge, No. 749, seven years, died May 7, 1917.

Charles E. Brown, Worshipful Master Mystic Star Lodge, No. 758, 1884-85, died Jan. 3, 1917.

Henry D. Young, Worshipful Master Sibley Lodge, No. 761, 1910, died Sept. 16, 1916.

John Michael Rein, Worshipful Master Grand Crossing Lodge, No. 776, 1900, died Dec. 16, 1916.

Louis A. Pierce, Worshipful Master Grand Crossing Lodge, No. 776, 1885-86-87-88-89-90, died Sept. 7, 1916.

Chauncey Frank Newkirk, Worshipful Master Ravenswood Lodge, No. 777, 1907, died Sept. 18, 1916.

Frederick Henry Leiferman, Worshipful Master Wrights Grove Lodge, No. 779, 1888-89-90, died April 15, 1917.

John Henry Peetz, Worshipful Master Siloam Lodge, No. 780, 1901, died March 7, 1917.

Tracy W. Buckingham, Worshipful Master Catlin Lodge, No. 285, (no date given), died June 27, 1916.

Leonidas Thomas, Worshipful Master Myrtle Lodge, No. 795, 1895, died Jan. 5, 1917.

James G. Rice, Worshipful Master Sidell Lodge, No. 798, four years, died Jan. 28, 1917.

Arthur John Stevens, Worshipful Master Kenwood Lodge, No. 800, 1917, died May 5, 1917.

R. A. Smith, Worshipful Master S. M. Dalzell Lodge, No. 805, 1905-6-16, died Aug. 20, 1916.

James H. Rainwater, Worshipful Master New Canton Lodge, No. 821, 1892-3, died May 13, 1917.

Wm. V. Carpenter, Worshipful Master Grove Lodge, No. 824, 1896, died Sept. 28, 1916.

George P. Thomas, Worshipful Master Mazon Lodge, No. 826, 1896-97-1908-09, died Feb. 8, 1917.

Edmund H. Ames, Worshipful Master Sequoit Lodge, No. 827, 1895-6, died March 7, 1917.

William C. Harned, Worshipful Master Wheeler Lodge, No. 883, 1907-8-9-10, died Feb. 11, 1917.

Enoch Lawson, Worshipful Master Gil W. Barnard Lodge, No. 908, 1916, died April 18, 1917.

William Light, Worshipful Master Compass Lodge, No. 922, 1917, died April 18, 1917.

Chester Hamlin Briscoe, Worshipful Master Candida Lodge, No. 927, 1911, died May 11, 1917.

John Henry Cole, Worshipful Master Grant Park Lodge, No. 928, 1914, died July 24, 1916.

Wm. T. Foster, Worshipful Master Table Grove Lodge, No. 939, 1912, died Jan. 28, 1917.

## Other Grand Jurisdictions.

### ARIZONA.

Alonzo Bailey, Past Grand Master; born Coshocton, Ohio, Feb. 5, 1846; died Globe, Arizona, Feb. 14, 1917; Grand Master 1883, serving one year.

### CONNECTICUT.

James McCormick, Past Grand Master; born Flushing, N. Y., March 29, 1831; died June 24, 1917; Grand Master, 1881-1882. "In every capacity, his service was characteristic of the man; sturdy, faithful and efficient. It is a source of satisfaction that, notwithstanding the slight physical infirmities incident to his advanced age, his mental faculties continued alert and unimpaired to the end."

### FLORIDA.

Samuel Pasco, Past Grand Master; born London, England, June 28, 1834; died Tampa, Fla., March 13, 1917. Elected Grand Master 1870. "In early manhood he came to Massachusetts and was educated at Harvard University, shortly after which time he removed to Jefferson County, Florida, which county has since been his home. During the war between the states he was a soldier in the Confederate Army, and he carried the scars of battle to his grave. At the close of the war he returned to his adopted State, and served his county as Clerk of the Circuit Court. He served as Chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee in 1876; was elected a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1885, and made Chairman of the same; was elected a member of the House of Representatives from Jefferson County in 1887, and was Speaker of that body. During the session of this Legislature he was elected to the United States Senate, which position he held for twelve years, serving upon many important committees with much distinction. Upon his retirement from the Senate, he was ap-

pointed by President McKinley a member of the first Panama Canal Commission, a place of exceedingly great honor, he being the only lawyer, the only Southern man and the only Democrat on that Commission.''

James Carnell, Past Grand Master; died June 17, 1917, elected Grand Master 1901. ''In his administration as Grand Master he displayed qualification of the highest talents, the clearest comprehension of the philosophy of Free Masonry, a noble ideal of its duties and mission and a sincere devotion to the brotherhood. He was gifted with the attribute of being able to solve with certainty all questions however complex in their character and point out the appropriate remedy that would guide the inquirer to light and justice. As a teacher he was equipped with the faculty of forcefully imparting knowledge and instruction to the brethren. Many ambitious masons in this Jurisdiction will bear a grateful remembrance of the zealous, efficient devoted assistance rendered them in acquiring the ability to correctly perform the duty of presenting to the craft the beautiful and impressive ceremonies that have made Masonry so charming and beneficial.

''For nineteen years he was a member of the Committee on Work and traveled the length and breadth of the state in the performance of his duties without any remuneration save the personal gratification of duty well done.''

### Idaho.

Jonas Warren Brown, Past Grand Master; born June 27, 1825; died Sept. 16, 1916. ''It was said that among the notable pioneers of the state the record of Judge Brown—miner and prospector, lawyer and public official, and above all a citizen of real public spirit—stands pre-eminent. Broad minded, big hearted, no man could say aught but good of him.''

### Indiana.

George E. Grimes, Past Grand Master; born Putnam County, Indiana, Nov. 7, 1850; died Crawfordsville, Indiana, Jan. 30, 1917; Grand Master 1904-1905.

Alfred W. Emery, Past Grand Master; born Eliot, Maine, June 26, 1848; died Indianapolis, Ind., April 12, 1917; elected Grand Master 1905, serving one year. ''As a Mason this distinguished brother was held in the highest esteem and was greatly loved and honored by all who knew him. He discharged every duty conscientiously and was zealous, true and faithful in his devotion to Masonry.

### Kansas.

Bestor Gaston Brown, Past Grand Master; born November 22, 1861; died July 10, 1917; Grand Master 1903. ''Richly endowed by nature, possessed of rare charm of personal manner and speech, he was a natural

leader of men....created and developed the application of modern scenic properties to the dramatic presentation of all masonic degrees. Had a national reputation among scenic artists and builders of applicance for stage craft, and was called the only masonic stage manager in the country."

J. Jay Buck, Past Grand Master; born Dutchess County, New York, Aug. 13, 1835; died Emporia, Kan. Sept. 3, 1917. Grand Master 1884; "When his country's call came for help at a time when our nation was threatened with disaster geographically and socially, he promptly responded, and in the War of the Rebellion rendered valuable service. For many years he served faithfully and well in the several Masonic bodies in his home town, and always responded readily when called upon for advice and assistance with which he was particularly endowed, having had much experience as a jurist and attorney at law.

William Mitchell Shaver, Past Grand Master; born Albany, N. Y. October 25, 1858; died Topeka, Kans., July 6, 1916; Grand Master 1897. "Almost from the date of his initiation in 1882 until the time of his death he devoted his time to the cause of Masonry as a ritualist, as a writer, as a director of work, as a custodian of records, as a lovable companion, as a willing worker; in fact, wherever and whenever his kindly influence and willing effort could find opportunity for expression. Brother Shaver was painstaking in the extreme in all of his clerical work, and as foreign correspondent in the several Grand Bodies contributed much to the national literature of Masonry. In the various branches of Masonry he was an accomplished worker, rendering some of the dramatic parts which he assumed in such an extremely artistic and clever manner as to win for him a nation-wide reputation.

KENTUCKY.

William Henry Meffert, Past Grand Master; born Louisville, Ky., June 1, 1840; died April 10, 1917; Grand Master 1881.

James William Hopper, Past Grand Master; born Nicholas County, Ky., Nov. 28, 1839; died London, Ky., May 8, 1917; Grand Master 1886. "He was a graduate of Bethany College, and one of the honor men of his class. He spent some years in the practice of law, served as County Attorney for Marion County, Ky., but abandoned the law for (to him) the more congenial field of journalism, in which he attained eminent distinction. He was a linguist, familiar with four foreign languages; he was a poet, an orator, a scholar, and known upon the editorial staff as "The Courier-Journal Cyclopedia."

Howard Royal French, Past Grand Master; born Prince William County, Virginia, Aug. 15, 1847; died Mt. Sterling, Ky. Sept. 11, 1917. Grand Master 1883. "Howard French did well whatever he was called upon to do; he was a courtly Christian gentleman, a true Mason, a faithful

friend, a courageous patriot. He died as he had expressed the wish to die—while in full possession of his mental and physical faculties, quickly and at home.

MANITOBA.

George Wellington Baker, Past Grand Master; born Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 4, 1854, died Sept. 1, 1917. Was elected Grand Master 1910. "His loyal nature was again evidenced in a conspicuous manner when the great war cloud appeared. He sent four sons to the trenches, and a daughter to nurse the wounded. In fact, regarding his citizenship it may be briefly stated that during his long residence in this city he gave support and encouragement to every uplifting influence in the community. Further, one might have travelled far before finding a man of finer sentiments, or more closely typifying a nature's gentleman. As he was one of the most enthusiastic and loyal masons who has passed forever across the masonic stage of this western country."

MICHIGAN.

Abraham T. Metcalf, Past Grand Master; born Whitetown, N. Y. Feb. 26, 1831; died October 28, 1916; Grand Master 1869-1870. "He loved Masonry, he lived Masonry, he inspired many a young Mason to emulate his example and follow his precepts, and his record will for all time cover brilliant pages in the history of Michigan Masonry.

James H. Farnum, Past Grand Master; born Cayuga County, N. Y., January 6, 1844; died Cassopolis, Mich., Jan. 19, 1917; Grand Master 1885. "His first attendance as a member of Grand Lodge was at the Annual Communication held in the city of Grand Rapids in 1878 and from that time he never missed being in attendance.

MISSISSIPPI.

John Silas Brooks, Past Grand Master; born New Albany, Miss., Aug. 4, 1849; died March 17, 1917; Grand Master 1911. "Oh! how these poor tongues of ours do stammer as we stand upon the shore of the vast ocean and behold the barques of our friends drifting out into the great unknown sea, and endeavor to speak the last sad words which affection dictates. Let me bear testimony to the warmth of his love for his fellows and the noble qualities of the man, not because custom and usage and regard for the decencies of society require it from us, at a time when the Chief of our Tabernacle is stricken with death, but because I knew and admired the man, and had enjoyed his society and friendship, and esteem it a privilege to honor his memory, and will ever

"Breathe
That name as sacredly and low
As prayers at eve."

MISSOURI.

CAMPBELL WELLS, Past Grand Master; born Platte County, Mo., May 23, 1864; died Platte City, Mo., Dec. 14, 1916; Grand Master 1900. "Probably no Brother has been of more real value or had more admirers than Campbell Wells. His pleasant disposition, his willingness to help others, his desire to serve anyone who needed assistance endeared him to all. No labor was too great for him to undertake, if it were in his power to accomplish some good thereby. He gave freely of his time and means to the Masonic Fraternity. His wide experience and good judgment were very valuable to the Masonic Bodies of which he was a member, and it will be difficult to fill his place.

NEBRASKA.

ZUINGLE M. BAIRD, Past Grand Master; born Lisbon, Iowa, Nov. 23, 1860; died Hartington, Neb., Dec. 17, 1916; elected Grand Master 1906, serving one year.

NEW YORK.

EDWARD M. L. EHLERS, Past Grand Master; died May 28, 1917. For thirty-six years Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. "For half a century he used his incomparable Wit and Eloquence to stimulate the zeal and ardor of the brethren for Masonry, and his magnificent thoughts and noble words will stand as a Monument, more enduring than that of Marble. May his journey from Physical to Spiritual Life and Light be a voyage towards the Harbor of Peace and the Haven of Rest; from the Banks of Time to the Shores of Eternity.

WILLIAM A. BRODIE, Past Grand Master; died May 10, 1917. "He was a patriotic citizen, a trustworthy neighbor and friend, a husband and father, respected and revered, and a man whose heart beat in unison and whose hands and purse cheerfully assisted with every effort put forth in the cause of a common humanity."

NEVADA.

WILLIAM MCMILLAN, Past Grand Master; born London, Ont. June 1, 1848. "While on his way from Austin to Reno to place himself under a physicians care, died at Battle Mountain July 21, 1917. Elected Grand Master 1888.

NORTH CAROLINA.

JOHN C. DREWRY, Grand Secretary since 1895; born Drewrysville, Va., July 26, 1860; died Raleigh, N. C. Oct. 2, 1916. "Early entering into the activities of affairs in the City of Raleigh he at once became a useful citizen, and in 1892 became a member of the Board of Aldermen which inaugurated the first attempt at anything like street improvements on a large scale. He

also served one term as President of the North Carolina Agricultural Society, two terms as President of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of Raleigh, two terms as President of the Capital Club, for many years a vestryman of Christ Church, Protestant Episcopal, which he also represented several times in its Diocesan Convention, President of the Life Insurance Association of the State of North Carolina, several times a member of the Democratic State Executive Committee, Representative to the Legislature from Wake County, State Senator.''

NOVA SCOTIA.

William Marshall Black, Past Grand Master; died May 9, 1917. Grand Master 1909-1910. ''In civic and social life he was held in equally high respect. He practised in daily life the teachings of our great Fraternity. His fellow-citizens in the town of his adoption repeatedly honored and entrusted him with the guidance of their municipal affairs. As Mayor of Wolfville, he proved invariably true to the trust reposed in him. In the everyday walk of life his friendship extended far and drew to him that esteem which true worth alone merits.

OHIO.

William Joseph Akers, Past Deputy Grand Master; born Manchester, England, August 2, 1845; died St. Petersburg, Fla., March 23, 1917. ''A high type of active and useful citizenship. For a generation or more he had testified to his public helpfulness in many capacities, and few plans for municipal betterment were formed that did not enlist his name and efforts.''

OKLAHOMA.

Leo Edmund Bennett, Past Grand Master; died Mineral Wells, Texas, May 31, 1917. ''Was elected Grand Master of Indian Territory in 1889, and served four years, or until August, 1893. In 1892, while he was Grand Master, the ten lodges in Oklahoma Territory asked permission to form a Grand Lodge, and he presided over the convention for that purpose. He was elected Grand Treasurer of Grand Lodge of Indian Territory in August, 1899, at Wynnewood, in the Choctaw Nation, and served as such until it consolidated with the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma. He was elected Grand Treasurer of the consolidated Grand Lodge, and thus served until his death.

PENNSYLVANIA.

George Wilkins Guthrie, Past Grand Master; born Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 5, 1848; died Tokio, Japan, March 8, 1917. ''A many-sided, scholarly man. In political life he was Mayor of Pittsburgh, an office which, had been held by his father and his grandfather, and he was chosen by the

President of the United States to represent him as Ambassador to Japan. In social life, at every gathering he was the centre. A record of his noteworthy deeds and words would be inspiring, illuminating, and stimulating. Merely to mention them, and to describe satisfactorily his intellectual gift and graces, and his sterling virtues would fill a volume. He showed that a man may be in politics and not be corrupt, that he may a hard fighter and yet be a lover of peace and gentleman. He was always helping others, and whether it was as president of a hospital, as mayor of a city, or as Ambassador of the President of the United States to a foreign land, he devoted himself body and soul to doing the greatest good to the greatest number.

TEXAS.

Archibald William Campbell, Past Grand Master; born Cannington, Ont., April 23, 1844; accidentally killed at Dallas, Texas, April 1, 1917. Elected Grand Master 1904, serving one year. "More consecrated devotion to duty, greater zeal or unfailing energy could hardly be desired than is to be detected in the rich and golden sheaves garnered and preserved by his faithful hands for the present and future happiness and prosperity of this Grand Lodge and the Craft at large. The measure of gratitude to be given in return for such zeal, fidelity and devotion to duty can only be limited by our appreciation of such virtues. ***** He has exhibited marked ability of both mind and heart displaying sound judgment, painstaking care and a most commendable knowledge of the genius and spirit of Freemasonry, together with a thorough acquaintance with our constitution, laws and customs—all comparable only to those elements of a pure heart, directing in love, sympathy and moderation his every official act."

VIRGINIA.

Henry Knox Field, Grand Master, 1917; born Alexandria, Va., April 20, 1860; died July 31, 1917; elected Grand Master February 15, 1917. "He has left us, and we bow in humble submission to Divine will, but he has left to us as a rich legacy a life replete with kind deeds a life filled with endeavors to serve humanity, and a life that scattered sunshine and happiness on its pathway as it wound along the road that has led him to the eternal life above; no heartaches, no bitterness, and no sorrow, except the sorrow that has overwhelmed the craft, because their Grand Master has passed on beyond. We know that while we shall miss his genial companionship, his wise judgment and unfaltering devotion to the craft, yet his sickness is over and having passed into the better land, he awaits his brethren and his loved ones on the Shores of the Blessed Eternity. Truly it can be said of him: "Well done, good and faithful servant, we know that you have entered into the joys of your Lord."

WEST VIRGINIA.

WILLIAM GEORGE BENNETT, Past Grand Master; born Jan. 5, 1847. Died Weston, W. Va., Nov. 8, 1916; elected Grand Master 1883. "His honors and usefulness, were not confined to Masonry. A native of West Virginia, his whole life was spent among its hills where he was prominently identified with the industrial and social development of the state, and was one of its most distinguished jurists."

NEIL ROBINSON, Past Grand Master; born June 30, 1853; died Cincinnati, O., Nov. 11, 1916; Grand Master 1899-1900. "In the death of Brother Robinson, not Masonry alone but the world at large has suffered an irreparable loss. His was the kind of life that can ill be spared by any community. His nobility of character, his whole hearted support of the church of his choice, his straightforwardness and honestly in all his dealings, and his kindliness of disposition made him indeed a prince among men.

WYOMING.

HARRY C. SNYDER, Junior Grand Warden; born Paola, Kas., June 24, 1861; died Lusk, Wyo., Nov. 23, 1916. "His interest and enthusiasm which characterized his Masonic life is identical with that shown in the great part he played in the affairs of daily life. A man thoroughly imbued with the ideas of progress and active in these principles in keeping abreast of the times. A man whose public-spiritedness was of daily mention and did much for the betterment of the community; a man whose place there are none to fill.

We desire to tender the sympathy of this Grand Lodge to the bereaved and distressed wherever dispersed; and acknowledge our debt of gratitude to the G. A. O. T. U.; for the Grim Reaper has not harvested unnaturally among the brethren of Illinois.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS G. KERWIN,
RALPH W. KING,
LOUIS ZINGER,
*Committee.*

## REPORT—Grand Examiners.

The Board of Grand Examiners made the following special report. It was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

The Board of Grand Examiners to whom was referred that portion of the grand master's address pertaining to the flag ceremony, recommend that this ceremony be adopted by the grand lodge as part of the ritual and taught as such at each of the grand lodge schools.

MAXWELL LEVY,
H. S. WILEY,
R. C. DAVENPORT,
S. C. D. REA,
ALBERT JAMPOLIS,
*Committee.*

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Grand Master appointed the District Deputy Grand Masters as distributing and collecting tellers and the following brethren counting tellers: Emmet Howard, N. B. Carson, Andrew Logan Anderson, Jason R. Lewis, and D. W. Starr.

The tellers, having collected and counted the several ballots, reported that the following brethren had received a majority of votes cast, and they were declared elected:

Bro. Austin H. Scrogin, Grand Master.
Bro. Dan. G. Fitzgerrell, Deputy Grand Master.
Bro. Elmer E. Beach, Senior Grand Warden.
Bro. Arthur E. Wood, Junior Grand Warden.
Bro. Leroy A. Goddard, Grand Treasurer.
Bro. Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary.

## MASONIC EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.

Bro. Arthur Millard, president of the Masonic Employment Bureau of Chicago, offered the following resolution. It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

*Whereas,* The Masonic Employment Bureau of Chicago is an institution of proved value and need to the members and dependents of members

of the Masonic fraternity, both local and sojourners; the officers of the bureau

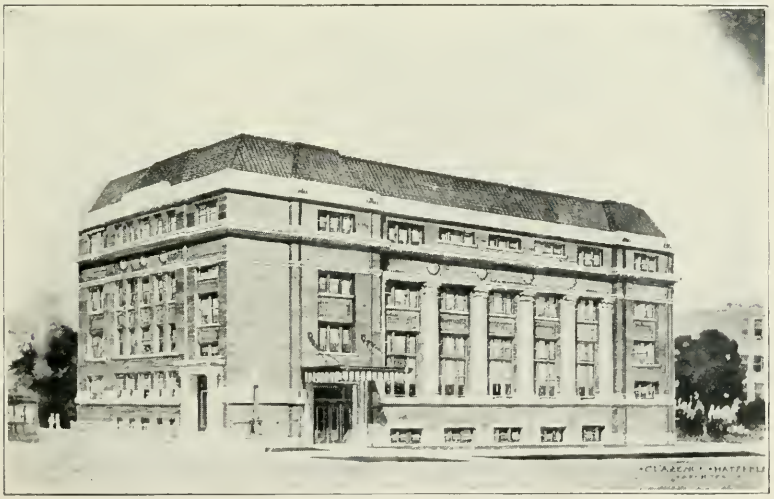
*Respectfully petition,* that this most worshipful grand lodge will donate such an amount as seems most advisable to its members, to aid in the maintenance and proper conduct of the bureau and its work in the city of Chicago, where its need and practicability has been so fully demonstrated.

## CALLED OFF.

At 2:30 o'clock p. m. the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.



LA GRANGE MASONIC TEMPLE
Dedicated January 27, 1916



SOUTH CHICAGO MASONIC TEMPLE
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# SECOND DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, A. D., 1917, A. L. 5917,
9:00 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Deputy Grand Master called the Grand Lodge from refreshment to labor at 9:00 o'clock a. m., after which the Grand Master assumed his station.

Grand officers and representatives were present same as the preceding day.

The minutes of Tuesday's session were then read and approved.

Prayer was offered by Bro. Owen Scott, in the absence of the Grand Chaplain.

**REPORT—Committee on Jurisprudence.**

Bro. Monroe C. Crawford, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence. On motion it was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois*

Your Committee on Jurisprudence begs leave to submit the following report:

At the 1916 session of the Grand Lodge, the resolution appearing on page 137 of the proceedings thereof was referred to this committee for report at this session. Your committee having considered the resolution is of the opinion that the matters sought to be reached by it are sufficiently covered by existing legislation, and we recommend that the resolution be not adopted.

At the same session the following resolution was submitted to this committee for report at this time:

Resolved, that the grand lodge views with decided disfavor the growing custom of unduly and persistently soliciting Masons to buy tickets to picnics, entertainments, and other amusements for profit, and for advertisements in programmes of such, unless such shall first be submitted to and approved by the most worshipful grand master.

Believing that this resolution represents the views of this grand lodge we recommend its adoption.

Your committee has considered the several subjects covered by the grand master's address and referred to this committee by the Committee on Grand Master's Address, and report thereon, as follows:

### Military Lodges.

Your committee unanimously and heartily endorses what the most worshipful grand master in his address says upon this subject.

### Special Dispensations.

Your committee has carefully considered the report of the most worshipful grand master upon this subject and believe that the suggestions and ruling of the most worshipful grand master in each instance referred to by him are not only correct but wise and happily expressed, and we heartily and unanimously concur therewith.

### Remission of Dues.

The wisdom of the most worshipful grand master is clearly manifested in what he says upon this subject. While we commend the patriotic spirit prompting members of lodges in passing the resolutions referred to in the address, we fully agree with the most worshipful grand master that lodges have no power under the law to take such action. Such resolutions, as so well suggested by the most worshipful grand master, "practically force brethren to be objects of charity," and "would be resented by a great many."

In times like these we should not permit our zeal to interefere with the privilege cherished by every true Mason of paying his dues so long as he is able to do so, nor should we place any hindrance in the way of fathers whose sons are in the service or of others whose kinsmen are serving their country in taking care of the dues of those who are absent.

Your committee, therefore, unanimously and heartily endorses and commends the statements of the most worshipful grand master on this subject.

Conservation.

This committee is in hearty accord with the suggestions of the most worshipful grand master on this subject and to the end that the most worshipful grand lodge may crystalize its views on this subject into law your committee recommends that the subject be referred to the Committee on Legislation with the request that it draft a law placing a limitation upon the amount of money that a lodge may spend for entertainment and refreshments.

Two Lodges Lose Their Three Principal Officers.

Your committee is of the opinion that the most worshipful grand master has legally and properly disposed of these cases and unanimously recommend that his action be approved.

Interpretation of the Law.

Two cases are referred to by the most worshipful grand master under this head.

The first involves a construction of the proviso in Code No. 478. Your committee is of the opinion that while the construction of the most worshipful grand master placed on this proviso should not be disapproved, yet it should not stand as a precedent for future most worshipful grand masters in dealing with a like situation.

In the second case referred to by the most worshipful grand master under this heading, your committee is in full accord with him, and unanimously recommend the approval of his action therein.

Respectfully submitted,

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Wm. B. Wright,
C. E. Allen,
*Committee.*

## INVITATION.

Bro. George M. Moulton invited the members of the Grand Lodge, who had been Masons for twenty-one years, to attend the meeting of the Masonic Veterans Association, on Wednesday evening, October 10, 1917.

## THE CHILDREN FROM THE HOME.

The Grand Master announced the arrival of the children from the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.

The children entered from the wings of the stage, girls on one side and boys on the other, the smaller children leading. They marched to the center, turned in twos and marched to the front of the stage. They countermarched in "grand march" fashion until they had marched eight abreast toward the audience. They then divided, leaving an opening in the center, when in marched three little tots, one with a soldier's uniform, carrying "Old Glory" aloft, and a little girl dressed as a red cross nurse, while another little chap was dressed as a sailor. As the three little ones marched to the front of the stage the applause of the grand lodge was deafening. The girls outnumbered the boys by one, and a finer looking lot of children could not be found anywhere. The children then sang "America" and were heartily applauded for their efforts.

Geo. L. Hilliker, superintendent, then addressed the grand lodge, urging the members to visit the home and take more interest in the children. He said the Masons in the state had assumed a greater responsibility than the merely giving of charity. They should take more interest in the children and see that they were cared for and properly prepared for the battle of life. He presented many facts that moved the members of the grand lodge and awakened much interest in the little orphans. He advocated the extension of the manual training system and made many wise suggestions.

The Grand Master introduced Robt. J. Daly, president of the Board of Managers; Robt. Fletcher, L. L. Emmerson, and Wm. B. Price, members of the board; and Dr. W. A. Dixon, superintendent of the Home at Sullivan, and spoke in the highest terms of the efficient work of these brethren.

## ORATION.

Bro. Oscar A. Kropf, the Grand Orator, delivered the oration.

*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:*

In obedience to a long established usage, a pause has been called in the routine of your deliberations, to give an opportunity for the expres-

sion of some thoughts which, it is properly expected, will be fitting the time and the occasion. As the beneficiary of this usage, or rule, I am also in a measure an exception thereto, by reason of the fact that, for the second time I am privileged to address this Grand Lodge, an honor which seldom falls to the lot of one individual and which I most highly prize. In responding to our Grand Master's command, communicated to me in the form of a courteous invitation, I am concerned, that this exception, may not prove the rule an unpleasant or unprofitable one.

The air was still vibrant with the song of the stars, singing together in the morning of creation, and the glory of the new born earth, fresh from the hands of its Maker, had been little disturbed by man's blundering activities, when through the startled atmosphere, from the lips of one of the erring sons of men, rang out the question: "Am I my brother's keeper?" Human history is a man's answer to that question. Although it was asked when the world was young, and although the response thereto has engaged the wisdom of the sages and philosophers of all ages; your acts and mine, today, are writing, so it can neither be erased nor altered, a part of the chapter, of this age, in the answer.

We are assembled at a season of the year when the peace and quiet of early autumn pervades the air. The intense heat of summer, which gilded our fields with the golden stubble of bounteous harvests and put the glint of red and russett apples among the green leaves of our orchards, has been tempered by the southward journeying sun into genial, inviting warmth. The grand passion of nature, manifested in the thunder clouds of summer, flashing forth their vivid lightnings, has worked its creative wonders and we see the fulfillment of the promise of its blossoms, in the abundant harvests, basking in the autumn sunlight, tempered by the bluish Indian summer haze. Even the cricket chirps in subdued tones, from the golden rod gently nodding at the roadside, in the mild and mellow breeze. Wherever we look, wherever we listen, a spirit of calm and contentment steals upon our senses.

Although about us nature's "every prospect pleases", the horizon is dark and murmurs with ominous thunder. As our vision sweeps into the distance, we see a startling contrast between the subdued passions and beneficent calm of nature and the warring emotions of mankind. Death and devastation greet the eye on every hand. The nigh sky is made lurid by the reddening glare of burning homes—yes, even the places of worship of our common Creator—and the senses are stunned by the sickening odor of human blood. All the furies of old, augmented by many, modern, more frightful sisters of this brood of night, have loosed the serpents of lust and hate, coiled above their heads, and are doing their death dance on dying humanity, deluged beneath the ruins of destroyed civilization. Man's

inhumanity to man is making countless thousands mourn, and the darkest figures from the deepest depths of Dante's Inferno seem to have risen from their Stygian abode to people the earth. At such a time, when our nation has unsheathed the sword in the cause of man's equal humanity, with the high resolve to put an end, for all time, to such inhuman carnage, is it not fitting for us, men of the Great Society of Human Brotherhood, to take stock of our own conduct and, with a calmness of judgment suggested by the season, scrutinize our personal response to the claims of the equal humanity of our fellow men? It is easy to glow with noble sentiments, at a mass meeting, but noble results can only be obtained if, as individuals, we are a living exemplification of those sentiments.

In considering man's attitude toward his fellow men, it may not be amiss to cast your eyes for a moment over the by-gone centuries. Nebuchadnezzer reveling in the spoils of war while captive Jews, Phoenicians, Syrians and Moabites, hastened by the lash, are bending their shoulders, beneath burdens of earth and stone, to rear the hanging gardens for the delight of his capricious spouse; Cleopatra, floating down the Nile on a barge of regal splendor, shaded by canopies of costly cloth of gold, amidst perfumes rich, as the spicy airs of Araby, the inactive atmosphere about her stirred into cooling zephyrs, by swarthy Ethiopians waving gorgeous ostrich fans, while the banks of that turbid stream are black with the heavers of water raising the murky liquid to a patch of parched earth, the best products of which must go to supply her luxury; Athens, known as the ancient home of literature, philosophy and liberty, yet four-fifths of her population even at the height of her golden age, inthe position of slaves; Nero fiddling while Rome burns; Louis, the XV, coining the heart blood of French peasants into luxuries which he lavishes upon a lascivious Pompadour; Charles, the II, with perfumed locks banqueting with his courtezans and sycophants, ridiculing virtue and making of morality a mockery, while the Black Death is decimating the poor of the metropolis of his empire; such are some of the pictures of history which pass before our view. Can we cavil with the poet when his sensitive soul in rebellious mood says:

> "The hunting tribes of earth and air.
> Respect the brethren of their birth.
> Nature who loves the claim of kind.
> Less cruel chase to each assigned.
> The falcon poised on soaring wing.
> Watches the wild duck by the spring.
> The slow hound wakes the foxes' lair.
> The grey-hound presses on the hare.
> The eagle pounces on the lamb.
> The wolf devours the fleecy dam.
> E'en the tiger fell and sullen bear.
> Their likeness and their lineage spare.
> Man only mars kind nature's plan.
> And turns the fierce pursuit on man."

Rightly may we ask, what is the virus in the blood of man which seems so universally to have made him unresponsive to the "claim of kind." What is the sinister force, which has driven the condition of human society so far from that state which from man's common humanity, we would expect. It is selfishness, creating class distinctions, which finally crystallize into caste. The man-made spirit of caste and the God-created spirit of human brotherhood stand at the opposite poles of human society. The one is the nadir and the other the zenith of human relations. Caste is the attempt to perpetuate for incapable, often unworthy offspring, the advantage, frequently, unfairly gained, by some ancestor, over his fellow men. Caste would establish human worth by the accident of birth. It substitutes heredity for fitness. The forms in which it appears may vary, the underlying principle is always the same. Caste found expression in mediaeval Feudalism, and the butchery of Feudal barons was its fruit. Ancient hierarchies and their many crimes sprang from the seed of caste and flowered in the Inquisition and its horrors. Primogeniture, England's hereditary aristocracy, human slavery, autocratic privilege culminating in kingship, are all merely manifestations of the spirit of caste. Whatever the guise in which the spirit of caste appears, it fattens at the expense of the common humanity of the race and destroys the spirit and practice of human brotherhood.

Today the brothers and sons of some of those seated before me are tossing upon the waves of the Atlantic or tenting under foreign skies. They have responded to their country's call and, beneath the emblem of freedom, have bared the sword of Democracy for a death thrust to the spirit of caste in one of its most virulent forms. Let us who have remained behind see that we keep the home hearth safe and clean against their return and for their future. Let us see that in our front yard and around our door steps, the flowers of our equal humanity, are not choked out by noisome weeds, springing from the same seed of caste, manifesting itself in a different form.

The American continent, with its vast virgin resources, settled by men, who sought a place for the development of their individuality as human beings, free from the caste ridden institution of Europe, became the seat of a civilization more nearly based on the principles of a common humanity than any which the world had known. On the broad, free frontier, of our grandfathers, the man who shod the horse was as good as the man who rode it. Past achievments of a parent were no substitute for present worth and effort. Each man had to trim and light his own lamp. He could not travel by the rays of glory that shone from some ancestral tomb. But the frontier of which the last century spoke with awe and pride, traveled westward until it met the waves of the Pacific. There is no frontier today. A fertile farm is no longer to be had for the asking. Our urban population

is increasing at a tremendous pace and thirty-seven per cent. of our farms are being tilled by tenants. Quarters are growing more cramped. Men are beginning to elbow each other. Instead of two jobs for every man, several men are looking for the same opportunity of employment. In place of the home located in the middle of many acres, surrounded by shade trees and wafted over by cool, clean, fresh air, we find the dwelling places of almost millions crowded together within the shadow of roaring furnaces and darkened by their smoke. "The poor ye shall always have with you" is becoming a more and more established truism. The claim of kind which is forcing itself upon our attention is being met by the answer "Am I my brother's keeper?"

The caste bacillus has broken out among some of us in the form of the itch of exclusiveness. We are acquiring exclusive tradesmen. Exclusive hatters are fitting hats, at double prices, upon heads, whose only claim to exclusiveness is the fact, that they have successfully excluded every useful idea. Exclusive caterers, with costly viands are tickling the jaded palates of those, who, by their own efforts could not earn the driblet of water, wherein they dip their dainty, carefully manicured, pink finger nails at the conclusion of the sumptuous repast. Certain so-called exclusive schools we have where your daughters and mine—no, not mine because God granting that he lives until then, her father will see to it that the free, American, public schools are exclusive enough for her—but schools we have where American girls are taught all the foolish follies and foibles and frills and excluded from the wholesome, every day practical things that go to make wifehood, motherhood and home builders; exclusive schools where their plastic feminine minds are moulded with the sole ambition of a matrimonial alliance which means rehabilitating the defunct fortunes of some foreign lordling with the good, solid, hard earned American dollars of their indulgent father. We boast of exclusive churches, where some learned divine is prostituting his learning and eloquence and compromising his conscience, by firing theological blank cartridges at his comfortably-girthed, somnolent parishioners who, if they heard some of the real truths of genuine religion, would be stricken with an apoplectic fit. I thank God that they are not all exclusive! The exclusive individual is to the social body what an ingrown toenail is to the human organism. The man who confines his intercourse to a supposedly, select few becomes a human oyster. The spirit of our institution recognizes only one word which spells exclusion and that word is unmanly. True manhood is the key which unlocks our every door.

The most un-American and foolish manifestation of the spirit of caste among us, is the aggregation which would be known as "high society." Where the thing took its origin, no one knows. Its limits are beyond finding out. Within its sacred precincts we find an addle-pated ex-cobbler's daughter, resenting with a superior sneer the wholesome, friendly advances of a

genuine, cultured woman who, because she supports herself and child by the use of her God-given brains and hands, is branded, as "impossible." To find out why it is called high would beggar even the imagination of a Jules Verne. The only thing emanating from it which ever attained any height, is the malodor which frequently rises to the high heavens from its not uncommon scandals. To ascertain what it is good for would require the skill of an entymologist. To discover what of value it had ever accomplished would tax the capacity of a high-power microscope. It is an attempt to create a class of self-appointed elect. It reminds us of the old adage about the man trying to lift himself up by his boot-straps. It is an effort to parody an institution foreign and antagonistic, to the basic principles, of our social structure—Europe's decadent hereditary aristocracies. "By their fruits," not by their roots, "ye shall know them" is the American doctrine and yet, my friends, sad to relate, today free-born American men of brains and energy are breaking their health, even breaking the laws of God and man, in order to amass money wherewith their families can break into what is called "high society."

There is a high society—a genuinely American high society—but admittance to that high society does not depend upon a familiar nod from Mrs. Thrice Divorced nor upon your name appearing in a certain column of the daily papers. It is this society of which Curtis spoke when he said: "What makes the 'best society' of men and women?" The noblest specimens of each, of course. The men who mould the time, who refresh our faith in heroism and virtue, who make Plato, and Zeno, and Shakespeare, and all Shakespeare's gentlemen, possible again. The women whose beauty, and sweetness, and dignity, and high accomplishment, and grace, make us understand the Greek mythology, and weaken our desire to have some glimpse of the most famous women of history. The "best society" is that in which the virtues are most shining, which is the most charitable, forgiving, long-suffering, modest, and innocent. The "best society" is, by its very name, that in which there is the least hypocrisy and insincerity of all kinds, which recoils from, and blasts artificiality, which is anxious to be all that it is possible to be, and which sternly reprobates all shallow pretense, all coxcombry and foppery, and insists upon simplicity as the infallible characteristic of true worth.

Another form in which the spirit of caste is manifesting itself is in our would be aristocracy of wealth. Emerson says: "Americans have many virtues, but they have not faith and hope. They rely too much upon the power of a dollar." Prosperity does not spell righteousness any more than poverty implies angelic qualities. The golden glare of our national medium of exchange is putting the halo of sanctity around too many a soiled brow. Daily we see the deplorable spectacle of intellectual geese flapping around, among mental eagles, raised to such association on wings of gold. We con-

fess with shame that the dollar has often blinded law makers to their duty and unbalanced the scales of justice, and yet some of us bow down before it and worship as though its glint were a ray of the glory supernal. American colonists fought to liberate themselves from the tyranny of George the Third, of England. Americans fought against their own brothers to free the black man from slavery. American armies are fighting today to liberate humanity from the tyranny of individual autocrats. Our nation has made the high resolve to make the world safe from autocratic Dynasties. Will we, the heirs of such freedom-loving ancestry, fawn to a Dynasty of Dollars!

Not alone in industrial progress, in the achievements of architecture, the accomplishments of science, or the triumph of literature and art are the greatness of a nation and the happiness of its people to be found. Some of the most wonderful achievements of the builder's art were made to crown the seven hills of Rome at a time when selfish, savage cruelty, scourged the people of the "Eternal City" and when immoralities degraded her rulers which would bring the blush of shame to the cheeks of Beelzebub. Beneath the flowers of Moliere's comedy and the splendors of Corneille's tragedy lies the compost, of the lascivious vices, of the Court of the "Grand Monarch." Traveling on the wings of the wind and speaking with the tongues of the lightning does not meliorate human conditions, if, at heart, men remain savages. The kingly achievements of science and invention cannot produce real happiness without the kindly virtues of life. All the cold calculating geniuses who may talk in terms of systems and think in infinities cannot bring happiness into a single life, if they do not fathom the heart of man.

The practice of the doctrine of human brotherhood is not a matter of mercy, to our fellow men, but a matter of justice. It is not charity on our part, to conduct ourselves towards those of equal birth in a manner demanded by that birth. It is the natural thing. You have certain claims upon me grounded upon our common humanity. Those claims are your right and my duty. Reciprocally the same rights on my part are your duty. This is the grand law of humanity, which is older than tribes and nations and existed before men devised governments.

You may for a time ignore the basic law of human brotherhood, but the interrelation of the race is so close that it cannot long be disregarded without dire consequences. "Am I my brother's keeper?" sneered the Bourbon kings of France and the French Revolution was the answer. "Am I my brother's keeper?" said the English statesmen, while unjust taxes were being heaped upon the colonists of the New World and the war for American Independence was the answer. "Am I my brother's keeper?" stormed the slave baron of the "South that was" and a continent drenched in the blood of fratricidal strife was the answer. "Am I my brother's keeper?" thought some careless or corrupt steam boat inspector at the port of New

York and the Slocum going down midst the shrieks of burning children, mingled with the gurgling groans of the drowning was the answer. "Am I my brother's keeper?" heartlessly laughs the smooth, crafty promoter and a widow, with her paltry hard earned savings vanished, weeping over a starving child in a cold garrett, is the answer. The squalor and filth of the Near East periodically inflicted the scourge of the Bubonic plague upon the great cities of Europe. The unsanitary conditions prevailing in the centers, of population, of the far famed "Pearl of the Antilles" sent the yellow fever into the southland of our nation. You may live on the flower bordered and tree lined boulevard, or on a lake-overlooking terrace and ask "Am I my brother's keeper?", when you hear of the ravages, of disease among the ill-nurtured childhood of the over-crowded tenements; the answer will burn itself into your soul when contagion, bred in those unhealthy surroundings with its malignant, mysterious hand places the dread mark of the same disease upon the foreheads of your manly boy or your sweet little girl.

There was a law of Solon which declared every man infamous who, in civil discussion, continued neutral. So in its social aspect a life absorbed in personal business and pleasure alone may be classed as possessing such infamous neutrality. We must recognize that there is such a thing as social morality. Social morality means doing more than merely what we must by our fellow men. Much has been said in the United States about a "Higher Law." That higher law is the creation of shrewd intellects to condone an offense against established civil law. I am not here to discuss that so-called law. There is, however, a higher law, which I would commend to your attention. It decrees that our common humanity demands a higher standard of conduct than a mere niggardly compliance with the statutes and the common law. It adjudges him in default whose sense of duty does not extend beyond the claims of blood, to the claims of fellow men, based upon our equal humanity. It holds the man who does not value some things more than his property, even more than his very life, of little value to the real life of the world. It holds that the best way of making ourselves truly efficient is by often turning our thoughts from self, to the stranger, whom we pass without speaking.

Across the chasm of the ages and from the depths of the shadows around our feet, comes the voice, which has so often spoken, to deaf ears—the voice of humanity. Philosophers, poets, priests, reformers and martyrs have been but the instruments through which it has found expression. Raised in hopeful tones, on Ararat; awed by the thunders of Sinai and hushed before the agony of Olivet and the tragedy of Calvary, it is ringing in our ears today. "Am I my brother's keeper?" is for you and for me to answer; not only in moments when the soul seems elevated by exalted emotions, but in the hum-drum activities and the drudgery of every day life. It must not only be answered by nations, but by individuals. Masonry as

an institution and Masons as men must make answer. It must be answered by the merchant prince in his office as well as the monarch upon his throne; by the employer and the employed; by the judge on the bench as well as the prisoner in the dock. It must be answered not merely by protestation, but by performance. Each must make answer in accordance with and commensurate with the capacity, the power, the talents with which he has been endowed by his Creator. Let us center the strength of our bodies, the energy of our minds and all the spirit and affection of our souls upon the correct answer to this question, and humanity will have come into its own.

Then the thrones of oppression shall crumble
And the hearts of the tyrants shall quake;
And the haughty shall learn to be humble,
And the mighty their mockings forsake,
For the spirit of Truth shall reign o'er us,
And Humanity's banner float free,
Till Fraternity's message is wafted
To the uttermost isles of the sea.

The thanks of the Grand Lodge were extended by a rising vote to Bro. Oscar A. Kropf for his able, eloquent and instructive oration.

## REPORT—Committee on Legislation.

Bro. Alexander H. Bell presented the following report of the Committee on Legislation.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Your Committee on Legislation respectfully reports that it has carefully considered all pending amendments to our Code and with reference thereto reports in detail thereon as follows:

### CODE NO. 837.

The proposition to amend Code number 837, as set forth at page 122 of the proceedings of this grand lodge for the year A. D. 1916,is substantially the law as found in our Code, excepting that it provides that notice shall be given to the members of the lodge of the date of the stated meeting at which charges preferred will be read to the lodge and a vote taken whether the same shall be accepted and the accused brother put on trial. The amendment in the form as offered, your committee thinks, cannot be adopted for the reason that it inadvertently uses the expression that, "the date of said stated meeting shall be fixed by the master." Of course, the master cannot

fix the date of a stated meeting. Your committee has revised the sentence quoted so that it reads, "such stated meeting shall be designated by the master." With this change made this proposed amendment would read as follows:

837. All charges and specifications shall be filed with the secretary of the lodge and the date of said filing endorsed theron. Without delay notice shall be sent by mail to all resident members of the filing of said charges, with the names of the accuser and accused and the date of the stated meeting at which the same will be read in open lodge and their acceptance or rejection acted upon. Such stated meeting shall be designated by the master and shall be not less than five, nor more than twenty, days after the date said notice is mailed. However, in cases where the magnitude of an offense demands, or where the lodge or the master shall deem it for the best interests of Masonry, the matter may be laid before the grand master, and by authority of his dispensation said charges may be read and accepted at a special meeting of the lodge called for the purpose, of which meeting notice shall be given the resident members.

Your committee recommends that the amendment in the form as amended by this committee be now adopted.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 837, and said amended Code No. 837, were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NO 419.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 419 as found at page 123 of the proceedings of this grand lodge for the year 1916 reads as follows:

419. A candidate upon being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, shall be required to pass a satisfactory examination in open lodge on the catechism of the third degree before signing the constitution and by-laws of his lodge.

It will be observed that the effect of this amendment is that when a candidate has received the third degree, he shall be required to pass a satisfactory examination in open lodge on the catechism of the third degree before signing the constitution and by-laws of his lodge. Your committee appreciates the purpose that the brother offering this amendment had in view, and we realize that it would be highly desirable that all Master Masons learn the catechism of the third degree, but the committee is of the opinion that when the candidate has received the third degree he is entitled to sign the constitution and by-laws of his lodge and to take his seat among the brethren as a member thereof and the lodge is entitled to his presence and influence as a member.

Without elaborating more largely in detail our reasons, the committee recommends that this proposed amendment be not adopted.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 419 was adopted, and said proposed amendment was declared to be lost.

**CODE NO. 965.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 965 as printed at page 138 of the proceedings of this grand lodge for the year 1916 reads as follows:

965. No lodge shall use any portion of its funds to establish and maintain or to assist in establishing or maintaining any club room or place in which any games are played or amusements provided, except that this prohibition should not apply to reading rooms, but no such reading rooms shall be opened or lighted on any evening when the lodge or any body of Masons holds a meeting in the same building in which such reading room is located.

This proposed amendment has a very laudable purpose in view. It forbids any club room or reading room that is conducted by a lodge from being opened at all on any evening when the lodge room is in use by any masonic body. Your committee is advised that many lodge rooms in the city are in use practically every evening in the week by some Masonic body and to forbid the opening of a reading room on any evening when a Masonic body is holding a meeting in the same building would practically, permanently close any such reading room.

Your committee therefore recommends that this proposed amendment be not adopted.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 965 was adopted, and said proposed amendment was declared to be lost.

**CODE NO. 717.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 717 as found on page 138 relates to the use of the word "Masonic" in any business enterprise. The present law on the subject provides in effect that no Mason shall use the word "Masonic" as a part of the style, title or designation of any business firm, etc., unless such business shall be the printing or publishing of Masonic books, papers or periodicals, or the manufacture and sale of masonic supplies. It will be manifest upon reflection that the reason why the word "Masonic" may be used in describing the business of publishing Masonic books and papers or of manufacturing and selling Masonic supplies, is that there would be no other way of describing the business. It could not be stated what kind of a paper was published unless the word "Masonic" was used and so it is in dealing with Masonic supplies. The question has arisen in this state whether the prohibition of this section as to the use of the word "Masonic" should have any application to Masonic hospitals, Masonic burial associations, Masonic insurance companies, etc. It will be remembered that two

years ago this question in its broad aspects came before the Jurisprudence Committee of this grand lodge and that committee unanimously reported that the use of the word "Masonic" in connection with burial associations, hospitals, insurance companies, etc. should not be prohibited and that the by-law now in force should not be given a construction which would forbid the use of the word Masonic in such connections. The report of the Jurisprudence Committee on this question was adopted by this grand lodge. That report also recommended that the Committee on Legislation be instructed to prepare an amendment which would effectuate the scope and purpose of the report of the Jurisprudence Committee. This committee on new legislation observant of the mandate of this grand lodge prepared and submitted an amendment at that session, and the amendment as prepared by this committee closely followed the report of the Jurisprudence Committee. One year ago when this committee came to report on that amendment it was of the opinion that the amendment in its then form was objectionable and upon the recommendation of this committee the entire subject matter was continued until this session of the grand lodge.

At the last session of this grand lodge we find other amendments to said Code No. 717 were submitted so that your committee now is reporting on the amendment of that Code number which was submitted two years ago, and which by the action of this grand lodge one year ago came over to this session, and we are reporting also on the two other proposed amendments to that code number.

After a very careful consideration of all of the above three separate amendments, a majority of your committee is of the opinion that the amendment as first appearing on page 138 of the proceedings of last year ought to be adopted and that the other propositions to amend the same section should not be adopted. The amendment whose adoption your committee recommends is in the language following:

**717.** No Mason shall use or be a party to the using of the word "Masonic" as a part of the style and title or designation of any business firm, concern, company, association or enterprise whatever; unless such business shall be the printing or publication of Masonic books, papers, or periodicals or the manufacture and sale of Masonic supplies, or unless it be a cemetery or burial association, temple association, hospital, employment bureau, insurance company, or relief association conducted wholly by Masons and only for the use and benefit of Masons or Masonry.

Your committee will not enter largely upon the reasons for its conclusion, but contents itself with saying that there are in the state of Illinois many thousand Masons who carry life insurance in Masonic insurance companies. These insurance companies are strictly observant of all statutes of the state of Illinois with reference to life insurance and the insurance department of this state has certified that they have strictly complied with the statutes of the state governing the same. It is a matter of mere bus-

iness choice as to the kind of life insurance company the individual man cares to patronize, and we are of the opinion that other insurance companies should not be benefited and enriched by having this grand lodge prohibit Masonic life insurance companies from doing business in Illinois. Every Masonic paper in Illinois advertises Masonic life insurance companies, and we are of the opinion that Masonic burial associations, Masonic hospitals, Masonic temple associations, Masonic life insurance companies, as provided in this amendment, will not violate any Masonic law by using the word "Masonic" in a description of their business. A majority of your committee, therefore recommends the adoption of the first amendment as printed on page 138 of the proceedings of last year as above set forth and we recommend that other amendments pending with reference to that section be not adopted.

Bro. James K. Lambert, of the committee, presented a minority report, recommending that the above proposed amendment to Code No. 717 be amended by striking out the words "Insurance Company," and in this amended form, he moved its adoption. The minority report of Bro. Lambert was as follows:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

The undersigned, a member of the Committee on Legislation, hereby dissents from the report submitted by the chairman of said committee, in so far as said report relates to the proposed amendment first appearing on page 138 of the proceedings of this grand lodge of 1916, and which reads as follows:

"No Mason shall use or be a party to the using of the word 'Masonic' as a part of the style and title or designation of any business firm, concern, company, association, or enterprise whatever; unless such business shall be the printing or publication of Masonic books, papers, or periodicals, or the manufacture and sale of Masonic supplies, or unless it be a cemetery or burial association, temple association, hospital, employment bureau, insurance company, or relief association conducted wholly by Masons and only for the use and benefit of Masons or Masonry,"

and in support of such action submits the following:

This dissenting report is based on objections to the use of the word "Masonic" as a part of the style and title of insurance companies. It is the opinion of this member of your committee that to use the word "Masonic" as a part of the name of an insurance company is an improper use of the word "Masonic."

Insurance is a business, pure and simple. An insurance company is run and must be run for profit or it will fail. Persons engaged in the insurance business are in it for the money there is in it.

The object of attaching the word "Masonic" to the name of an insurance company is to boost the business of that company.

Masons are annoyed about lodge and elsewhere by insurance solicitors, and for the grand lodge to set the seal of its approval on insurance companies as proposed in the pending amendment by openly authorizing them to use the word "Masonic" in their names and styles would mean additional annoyance to the craft in this jurisdiction.

It would be using Masonry to further the business interest of any who may be connected with, or who may see fit to connect themselves with, an insurance company whose name bears the word "Masonic." For the grand lodge to adopt this pending amendment as recommended by a majority of the committee would, in my opinion, be authorizing a Mason to give the Masonic name to a business organized and prosecuted for profit as a livelihood, which for any Mason to do is a plain violation of Masonic law.

The undersigned recommends to the most worshipful grand lodge that the above and foregoing proposed amendment to Code No. 717 be amended by striking out the words "*insurance company,*" and that in this amended form the said proposed amendment be adopted by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Illinois.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

JAMES K. LAMBERT,
*Of Committee on Legislation.*

The motion of Bro. Lambert and said Code No. 717 as so amended were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote. The report of the committee as to the two other proposed amendments to Code No. 717 was adopted, and said other proposed amendments were declared lost.

**CODE NO. 141.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 141 printed at page 140 of the proceedings of the last year is as follows:

141. The salary of the grand treasurer shall be $1,500.00 per annum, which shall be in full compensation for all his official services.

This fixes the salary of the grand treasurer at $1,500 per annum. Your committee calls attention to the fact that under present arrangements the grand lodge is receiving interest on its daily balances and the interest which

we are receiving, more than makes up the amount which this amendment adds to the present salary of the grand treasurer. The salary which we have paid the grand treasurer for many years has been merely nominal and your committee recommends the adoption of this amendment.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 141, and said amendment to said Code No. 141, were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NO. 218.**

The proposition to amend paragraph "E" of Code No. 218 printed at page 140 of the proceedings of last year is as follows:

**E.** For each member of every chartered lodge under this jurisdiction, one dollar annually.

The effect of this is merely to fix the per capita tax of this grand lodge at $1.00. Your committee recommends its adoption.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 218-E. and said amendment to said Code No. 218-E, were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

The proposition to amend paragraph "F" of Code No. 218 printed at page 140 of the proceedings of last year is as follows:

**F.** For every Master Mason whose name is upon the roll of any lodge under dispensation, and who is not a member of some chartered lodge in this jurisdiction, one dollar annually, the same to be paid by such lodge under dispensation.

The effect of this provision is to make the same rule of $1.00 per capita as the grand lodge tax apply to numbers of lodges under dispensation who are not making such payments as members of lodges in this state. Your committee recommends the adoption of this amendment.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 218-F, and said amendment to said Code No. 218-F, were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NO. 243.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 243 as found printed at page 140 of the proceedings of last year is as follows:

243. The grand officers designated in Code No. 14, page 21, as shall be present and shall be members of constituent lodges in Illinois (provided that if any such permanent member in attendance on the session of the grand

lodge be at the time a sojourner outside of Illinois, his mileage shall be computed from the location of his lodge), each member of a standing committee, and one representative (the highest in rank) from each lodge under this jurisdiction shall be allowed five cents per mile going and returning, for every mile traveled from the location of his lodge, to be computed by the necessarily traveled route, and (except the grand master, grand treasurer and grand secretary) two dollars per day for each day's attendance on the grand lodge. Members of committees of this grand lodge and past grand masters, past deputy grand masters and past senior and junior grand wardens shall be paid five dollars per day for each day's attendance upon the duties of such committees or upon the grand lodge. No one shall receive mileage or per diem in more than one capacity.

Your committee does not take the time to discuss this except to say that it is unfortunate that we cannot recommend the adoption of this amendment but it depends on a proposed amendment to the constitution which was submitted to the constituent lodges and not adopted. For that reason this proposed amendment to the by-laws fails and your committee, therefore, recommends that it be not adopted.

The report of the committee was adopted and said proposed by-law, No. 243, was declared to be contrary to the Constitution, and its consideration not in order.

### CODE NO. 423.

As to the proposition to amend Code No. 423 as found printed at page 141 in the proceedings of last year, your committee recommends that that amendment be adopted. The effect of it is only to regulate honorary membership and the amendment as proposed and as we recommend to be adopted is as follows:

423. No Mason shall be an actual member of more than one chartered lodge at the same time, provided that a lodge may by unanimous ballot confer honorary membership, upon any Master Mason, who is a member in good standing of some other regular lodge, his name having been proposed at a previous stated meeting. Such honorary member shall have the rights of regular membership, except that he shall not be subject to the payment of dues, nor shall he vote or hold office in such lodge.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 423 and said proposed amendment were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

### CODE NO. 606.

The proposition to amend Code No. 606 as printed at page 141 of proceedings of last year is as follows:

606. When a brother desires to change his membership from his lodge to another lodge, he shall give his lodge notice thereof in writing. This notice

shall be read in open lodge at a stated meeting and lie over till the next or some subsequent stated meeting, when if there are no formal charges against him and his dues are paid four months in advance, the secretary shall issue to him a certificate under seal of the lodge showing that the dues have been paid as aforesaid and stating for what purpose the certificate is issued. This certificate may be deposited with his petition in the lodge he wishes to join at any time within two months of its date and be treated as the necessary documentary evidence to accompany a petition for affiliation. If he is elected to membership in the petitioned lodge the secretary thereof shall immediately notify the first lodge, and the petitioner's membership therein shall cease from the time such notice is received. If favorable action is not taken within four months from the date of the certificate the petitioner shall still be a member of the original lodge and chargeable with dues therein. Nothing in this section shall operate to change the law regarding dimits or affiliation thereon.

The certificate to be issued under this section shall give or have endorsed thereon the date and place of the holder's birth, and the date of his election, initiation, passing and raising, as well as the name and number of the lodge doing the work, and of the lodge issuing such certificate.

Without elaborating reasons therefor, your committee believes that the wisdom of the amendment will be manifest on its reading. Your committee recommends that this amendment be adopted.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 606 and said proposed amendment were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NO. 321.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 321 as printed at page 142 of the proceedings of last year is as follows:

321. Smoking in open lodge is prohibited, and the Master is responsible for the strict enforcement of this by-law.

This proposed amendment is so short and its meaning so obvious that comment is not needed by the committee. Your committee recommends its adoption.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 321 and said proposed amendment were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NO. 350.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 350 as printed at page 142 of the proceedings of last year is as follows:

350. The Master may call a special meeting of the lodge for work at any hall within its jurisdiction other than the usual place of meeting, by giving due notice to the resident members but no such special meeting may be called

at any place outside of the city or village in which the lodge is chartered and customarily holds its meetings.

The effect of this amendment is only to forbid the Master calling meetings of his lodge at any point outside of the city or village in which it is chartered to do its work. The committee recommends its adoption.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 350 and said proposed amendment were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NO. 351.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 351 as printed at page 142 of the proceedings of last year is as follows:

**351.** A lodge may change its place of meeting from one place to another place in the same city or village without procuring the consent of any other lodge. Such change may be authorized by a majority vote of all members present at a stated meeting of the lodge in the following manner. A resolution in writing that such change be made, designating the place to which such meeting place shall be changed, shall be offered to the lodge at any stated meeting. Said resolution shall lie over for consideration until the next stated meeting of the lodge. All members of the lodge shall be notified by mail that such resolution will be disposed of at the next stated meeting and such notice shall be sent at least five days before such next stated meeting.

The effect of this amendment is to authorize a lodge to change its regular place of meeting from one point to another point in the same city or village without procuring the consent of any other lodge. Your committee is of the opinion that this amendment should be adopted and we so recommend.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 351 and said proposed amendment were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NO. 876.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 876 as printed at page 142 of the proceedings of last year is as follows:

**876.** In all cases when charges against a brother have been accepted by the lodge, the secretary of the lodge shall at once send to the grand master a copy of such charges and specifications, and of the action of the lodge in accepting such charges and in ordering the accused brother to be put on trial.

This amendment merely requires that when charges against a brother have been accepted by a lodge a copy thereof shall be sent to the grand master. We recommend the adoption of that amendment.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 876 and said proposed amendment were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NO. 327.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 327 by adding a paragraph to be known as 327A, as printed at page 151 of the proceedings of last year, is as follows:

A. Masons are prohibited from appearing in public drinking saloons in their Masonic clothing, and any Mason thus offending shall be disciplined.

This amendment is so brief and its meaning so unmistakable that comment is not made and we recommend that the amendment be adopted.

The report of the committee as to said Code No. 327-A and said proposed amendment were severally adopted by a two-thirds vote.

**CODE NOS. 447 AND 824.**

The proposition to amend Code No. 447 and the proposition to amend Code No. 824 will be considered here together.

The proposition to amend Code No. 447 is by adding a paragraph thereto to be known as 447A, as follows:

A. No lodge shall receive a petition for the degrees, or for affiliation from any person who is engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, either as distiller, brewer, brewery agent, wholesale liquor dealer or salesman for such dealer, saloon keeper or bartender.

The proposition to amend Code No. 824 is by adding a paragraph thereto to be known as 824 A as follows:

A. Any Mason who may hereafter engage in any of the businesses prohibited in Code 447A, page 88, shall be expelled.

It will be observed that the first of these proposed amendments forbids a lodge receiving a petition to be made a Mason from any one engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. The second of such proposed amendments provides that any Mason who shall hereafter engage in any of the businesses prohibited in Code No. 447A, shall be expelled.

Your committee without entering very largely into discussion of this matter recommends that the first of the proposed amendments as set forth be adopted, namely that amendment which forbids a lodge from receiving a petition to be made a Mason from one who is engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. The committee recommends that the second of these proposed amendments be not adopted, namely, the

amendment to 824A which would subject any Mason engaged in any of those businesses to expulsion. The language of this proposed amendment is, "any Mason who may hereafter engage in any of the businesses prohibited, etc." It is by no means clear whether this means that a continuation in the business of one who is in that business before the adoption of this amendment constitutes "hereafter engaging" in the business within the meaning of that by-law. Your committee is of the opinion that the liquor question is taking care of itself very nicely and that it is not wise for this grand lodge to take any active part in a fight which is social and political.

We recommend that the proposition to amend Code 447A be adopted and that the proposition to amend Code 824A be not adopted.

The report of the committee as to Code No. 447A was adopted, and said proposed amendment thereto, as above set forth, was adopted by a two-thirds vote.

On motion of Bro. Owen Scott, the report of the committee as to Code No. 824A, and the further consideration of that proposed amendment were postponed until the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALEXANDER H. BELL,
ELMER D. BROTHERS,
JAMES K. LAMBERT,
*Committee.*

## REPORT—Board of Managers of Masonic Homes.

Bro. Robert J. Daly, president of the Board of Managers of the Masonic Homes, presented their report.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Your Board of Managers of the Illinois Masonic Homes fraternally submits the following report of its transactions and incidents of interest in the administration of the Illinois Masonic Home and Royal Arch Memorial Hospital at Sullivan and the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange, and invites your attention to the following detailed account of the conditions and recommendations relating to the administration of the trust imposed upon them.

At the meeting of the Board held October 12th, 1916, immediately following the last annual session of the M. W. Grand Lodge, Brethren

Daly and Dixon who had been reappointed as their own successors as members of the Board, qualified by their acceptance, and thereupon the Board effected its official organization as follows:

Robert J. Daly, President.
Louis L. Emmerson, Vice-President.
W. Irving Shuman, Treasurer.
William D. Price, Secretary.

There having been no change in the personnel of the Board, the Executive Committtee in immediate charge of the respective homes remained the same as previously constituted; namely, Brethren Emmerson, Shuman, and Dixon for the Home at Sullivan, and Brethren Fletcher, Price and Daly for the Home at LaGrange. By action of the Board, Brother and Mrs. George W. Pumphrey were continued as superintendent and matron of the Home at Sullivan and Brother and Mrs. George L. Hilliker were likewise continued as superintendent and matron of the Orphans' Home at LaGrange.

On February 23rd Brother George W. Pumphrey tendered his resignation as superintendent of the Sullivan Home, to take effect at once, and it is with the feeling of great appreciation that the local committee reports that it was able in the emergency then existing to secure the able services of Dr. W. A. Dixon to fill this vacancy. Brother Dixon resigned as a member of the Board of Managers in order to place his valuable services at the command of the committee at this critical time.

By action of the committees, Brother John F. Lawson, M. D., was appointed Physician to the Home at Sullivan and Brother Arthur E. Higgins, M. D., to the Home at LaGrange.

### Official Bond

Immediately after the election of Brother Shuman as treasurer of your Board of Managers, he filed a surety bond of twenty thousand ($20,000.00) dollars for the faithful performance of his duties. In like manner Brothers Pumphrey and Hilliker filed bonds of five thousand ($5,000.00) dollars each for the faithful performance of their duties.

Subsequent to the organization meeting, the Board held two regularly called meetings, namely, May 12th and 13th at Sullivan and on October 7th at Chicago. These meetings were attended by all of the members, the proceedings were harmoniously conducted and productive of most excellent results.

During the interval between Board meetings, the Executive Committees have regularly and faithfully attended to all the details of administration and exercised a close supervision of all of the affairs involved in the operation of the Homes and in connection with superintendents have prepared a




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comprehensive report relative to the Homes under their respective supervision which reports are herewith submitted and to which we invite your careful attention and earnest consideration.

It is unnecessary to enter into any lengthy account as to the present prevailing high cost of living. It is only too well known to all, more particularly to the Board of Managers of your Homes. With a steadily increasing membership and with the unprecedented increase of from 25% to 150% in the prices of food, clothing, shoes, coal and labor, it soon became apparent that the amounts appropriated for maintenance would not be sufficient. In fact, it was a question as to whether we would be able to secure coal at any price, if it was not purchased previous to this session of the grand lodge.

Therefore, a meeting was called at Sullivan on May 12th and 13th to consider the situation and present the facts to the Grand Master. On presenting the facts to the Grand Master and his Advisory Board, we were instructed to requisition the grand lodge for the necessary funds to maintain the Homes and purchase a sufficient supply of coal for the coming winter and it is with a great deal of pleasure we are able to report that we have enough coal on hand at present to insure plenty of heat to our members this winter.

### The Orphans' Home at LaGrange, Illinois

As will be seen by the superintendent's report, nothing of particular consequence has happened at the institution during the past year. The general health of the children has been good and too much cannot be said of the untiring efforts of Brother and Mrs. Hilliker in making this in every sense of the word what the name would imply—A HOME. At the last session of the grand lodge twenty-one thousand ($21,000.00) dollars was appropriated for maintenance and this has not been sufficient. In addition to this, the grand lodge has appropriated $5,000.00, $3,000.00 of which was for next year's supply of coal. And as it is probable that it will be necessary to purchase coal prior to the next meeting of the grand lodge, we would therefore, recommend the sum of twenty-six thousand ($26,000.00) dollars be appropriated for the maintenance of the institution for the ensuing year, together with $3,000.00 for the purchase of next years' coal supply.

### Manual Training

At the last session of the grand lodge the sum of fifteen hundred ($1,500.00) dollars was appropriated for manual training and domestic science. This instruction was conducted under the supervision of Miss Louise Cottell and Mr. Edwin Salter (both teachers of those branches in the Chicago Public Schools) during the summer vacation period and have proven of inestimable value to the children. We are very anxious to continue

this work and would therefore, earnestly recommend that the sum of one thousand ($1,000.00) dollars be appropriated for the continuance of this work during the ensuing year.

### Appraisal of Properties of the Masonic Homes

At the last session of the grand lodge, the sum of seventy-five ($75.00) dollars was appropriated for the purpose of keeping this appraisal up to date as per our contract with the Lloyd & Thomas Appraisal Company. We would, therefore, recommend that we continue this contract and that a like amount of seventy-five ($75.00) dollars be appropriated for this purpose.

### Home for the Aged and Royal Arch Memorial Hospital at Sullivan

#### New Dormitory Building

Your Board has had plans and specifications prepared and contracts let for this building which is placed between the Administration Building, with which it connects, and the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital.

Construction was begun about May 1st of this year. The building is now under roof and the plasterer has begun his work. The contractors have the work completed in advance of the contract requirements and expect to finish the building before January 15th, 1918, the date set in the contract. Hagerman & Harshman of Sullivan, Illinois, are the general contractors for the building and L. T. Hagerman & Company of Sullivan, Illinois, are the contractors for the heating, plumbing and electric work. The sum total of their contracts is $60,280.00 of which $36,669.50 has been paid. Your Board is pleased to be able to report that the work is progressing ahead of schedule as there is pressing need for this building as soon as it can be completed.

#### New Boilers

It became evident during the year that the two 40 H. P. boilers in the power house had nearly reached the limit of their effective capacity, having been in use for ten years, and that they would be insufficient for the additional demands made upon them when the new dormitory building was completed. On account of the continually increasing cost and difficulty of securing new boilers because of war conditions, your Board deemed it wise and expedient to replace these boilers with larger ones prior to the season when heat would be required, as otherwise, the work would necessarily have to be postponed until the summer of 1918, and the buildings would lack adequate heat during the coming winter.

A statement of these conditions was made to the Grand Master who with the approval of the Advisory Council ordered the Board to proceed with the

work. We have installed two 100 H. P. boilers made by the Frost Mfg. Company of Galesburg, Illinois, according to the requirements of the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company and they are now in use. The contract price for these boilers with suspension setting and brick work completely connected ready for use was $8,255.00. The unexpended balance of $746.57 of the $1,000 appropriation for boiler and heating repairs together with $7,508.43 received from the grand treasurer in accordance with the action of the Advisory Council provided the funds necessary for this work. $7,000 has been paid on account and the balance is due and payable upon final inspection and acceptance of the work by the insurance company's inspector.

### Sullivan Home Water Supply.

On October 14th, 1916 a contract was made with Omer Kersey of Sullivan, Illinois, for wells in accordance with the opinions expressed in the report of the Illinois State Water Survey—namely, that it was probable, altho' not certain that a sufficient supply of water could be obtained within 100 feet of the surface. The contract provided for drilling the 8" holes to greater depths should sufficient water not be found in the first 100 feet. The drilling disclosed the fact that it would be necessary to go deeper for a supply of water, which was found at a depth of 275 feet.

The appropriation was found insufficient to cover the increased cost of the deep wells and the necessary pumping equipment and piping connections to the present steel storage tank. Accordingly, a complete statement of the conditions was laid before the Grand Master and authority was secured to expend the further amount of $3,000.00 necessary to accomplish this work. The work above outlined has been completed. These wells are equipped with Burnham deep well steam pumps and are yielding about 2,000 gallons of water per hour of pumping. This water contains considerable mineral matter and tests and analysis are now being made to ascertain its nature and to determine what, if any, treatment is necessary for the protection of the boilers from the deposits of this mineral matter.

There remains in this fund, an unexpended balance of $148.38 which we recommend be left in our hands to provide for the proper protection of the pumps from exposure to the weather.

### The Sullivan Home and Royal Arch Memorial Hospital.

The following report of the business transacted by the Executive Committee and the superintendent of the Home at Sullivan for the past year is respectfully submitted, and made a part of our report.

Many improvements have been under way during the year, the most important of which is the new dormitory building which is now nearing completion. We estimate that an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars will be needed for furnishing this new building.

During the year the old farm house became untenantable and it has been necessary to house the farm and garden help in the Home, a condition that has been far from satisfactory. We have practically completed a small, five-room cottage on the site of the original Miller home that will accommodate the caretaker of the stock but a farm residence of sufficient size to care for all the help required in the management of the farm and a small cottage for the gardener are badly needed. And the committee is requesting an appropriation of forty-five hundred dollars with which to provide these two buildings.

The old barns and sheds are in course of rebuilding and a very satisfactory new corn-crib has been completed. When repaired these buildings will give us ample roof to cover the farm machinery and the young stock and allow sufficient space to store feed and surplus grain. A new well has been drilled on the Swain farm that will furnish water to the residence of that farm and will provide for the stock during the winter when the stream is frozen.

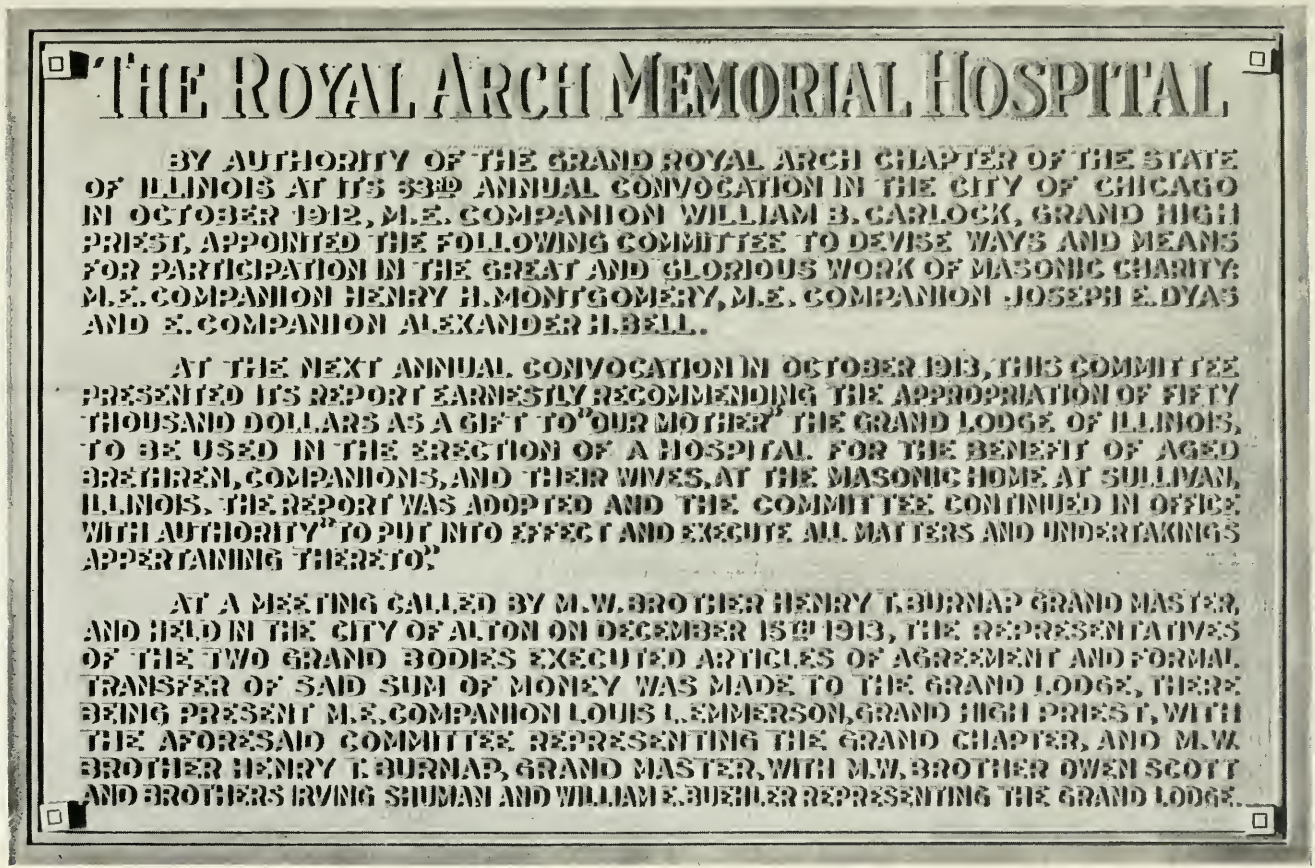
A small barn for feeding stock is being moved to this farm which will provide for the wintering of all surplus cattle and hogs there.

Two new one hundred horse power boilers have replaced the two old ones of forty horse power each and are now ready for use. This should give us sufficient power for light, heat, water and laundry without using the boiler capacity to the limit, keeping one boiler in reserve at all times.

The new refrigerating plant is practically completed and we trust it will prove a great and economical factor in the management of the Home.

The construction of cement drives on the grounds has been suspended for the past year on account of the lack of funds. In order to continue this work as originally planned, an appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars will be required for the coming year.

The state of Illinois and the county of Moultrie are building forty-seven hundred feet of cement road through the Masonic Home Farm on the highway between Sullivan and Mattoon. This road cannot be extended until the grade, which high water occasionally overflows, is made to meet the requirements of the State Highway Commission. New bridge and cement culverts sufficient to allow the water to pass under the grade will cost approximately four thousand dollars, of which amount the County Board will pay one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, and the township and property owners will be expected to make up the remainder. When this grade is completed it is proposed to build an additional section of road ap-




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proximately one mile in length, which will carry the finished highway through and beyond the eastern limit of the Home Farm.

At the last session of the most worshipful grand lodge, an appropriation was made for the purpose of assisting in the expense above named. It was impossible to use the money during the year just closed, and fifteen hundred dollars has been returned to the grand lodge treasury. Your committee would recommend that this amount be reappropriated as our proper proportion of the expense of bridge, grade and extension of this highway.

Your committee found it impossible to make a satisfactory contract for coal for the coming year, operators refusing to enter into any sort of a written agreement binding them as to future deliveries. At the suggestion of the most worshipful grand master, we purchased and stored during the months of July and August one thousand and seventy-two tons of coal. This guarantees to the Home sufficient fuel for its needs during the winter months.

Daily papers, periodicals and books are supplied to members of the Home by the Library Committee in charge of the fund for that purpose. In addition we received through the kindness of the publishers without charge the following papers:

Daily Bulletin.
Reynolds Press.
The Sullivan Progress.
The Moultrie County News.
The Windsor Gazette.
The Illinois Freemason.
Tennessee Freemason.
Square and Compass.
German Post.

Clergymen of the city of Sullivan, The Reverends J. S. Tharp, M. C. Cockrum, and W. B. Hopper, hold religious services at the Home on alternate Sundays. These meetings are greatly appreciated by the members and management. These same clergymen assisted by the Home Club conduct such funerals as are held at the Home, and accompany the remains to our own cemetery for interment. While there have been occasions when the Club was not able to meet all requirements because of the absence or illness of officers, the clergymen have never failed us, and have earned our earnest thanks for these services. The names of those at rest in the new cemetery provided on the Home Farm are as follows:

Alfred Winwood, Edward J. Tedmon, Nancy Dodd, Michael E. Fox, Edward W. Willasey, Harry Thorne, Margie Bimrick, James P. Ryan, Charles R. Grout, George B. Johnston, Samuel F. White, Colvan B. Burt, and James Davis.

During the year we have been visited by a number of musical organizations and have listened to several prominent speakers who have contributed much to the enjoyment of all. The holidays are suitably observed and usual entertainments given. The dedication of the new barn on November 11th, 1916, was the prominent occasion of the year, and gave the committee an opportunity to entertain members of Sullivan Lodge No. 764 A. F. & A. M. together with their lady friends, thereby recognizing the many favors and courtesies extended by them to us. We were honored with the attendance of Brother Ralph H. Wheeler, most worshipful grand master, and Companion James E. Jeffers, most excellent grand high priest, in addition to many prominent craftsmen from the central part of the state. A partial list of other entertainment follows:

January 7th, 1917, Members of Sullivan Lodge visited the Masonic Home Club and installed officers. Barber's orchestra accompanied them and entertained such members of the Home as could not join in the ceremonies of installation. May 21st, Bruno's orchestra entertained during the supper hour; The Fourth Regiment Military Band; The School Orchestra; Hall's Orchestra gave concerts during the year; the ministers sometimes brought their choirs with them and Rev. Walter Aitken of Urbana, Illinois, recently visited the Home for the second time and gave an evening of profitable entertainment when he chased away the blues; Miss Sarah Bolotin has given regular instruction to the blind members of the Home, and her visits and work have been a comfort to all of us. Judge W. G. Cochran gave a patriotic address July 4th; and the members had season tickets to the Chautauqua.

The Royal Arch Memorial Hospital has given us excellent service during the year, and is in every respect meeting the needs of the Home. The local physician continues to give considerate and careful attention to all who come under his care, and the nurses in attendance at the hospital are able and ready to give competent and sympathetic attention to all who need it.

The expense for the year for maintaining the hospital is shown in the following summary of account:

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| Provisions for the year | $ 5,584.60 |
| Furnishings for the year | 415.12 |
| Medical, including medicines, and doctor and nurses salaries | 4,420.52 |
| Laundry | 1,415.78 |
| Employes | 1,320.00 |
| Light, heat and power | 2,750.25 |
| Total | $15,906.27 |

The farm has been blessed with bountiful crops for the year 1917, and we estimate that the standing corn will yield more than five thousand bushels. From twenty-five acres of wheat, five hundred and sixteen bushels were produced, the most of which was sold at two dollars and thirty cents per bushel. Fifty acres of oats yielded two thousand five hundred and twenty-nine bushels, and much of this acreage was seeded to clover. The hay crops were good, and the south wing of the big barn is full of alfalfa, and sufficient clover and timothy to fill the remainder is ready for storage. The heavy rains of May interfered with the harvest of alfalfa, and seriously damaged the stand. We are planning for an increased acreage of alfalfa in 1918. The pastures have been unusually good and all stock is in excellent condition. We have thirteen head of horses, and eight colts. Five are pure bred Percherons, and we estimate the lot to be worth three thousand dollars. We have twenty-eight cows and thirty-nine head of other cattle. Twenty-three are pure bred Holsteins. This lot is estimated conservatively at seven thousand two hundred dollars. At this time there are on the farm one hundred and twelve hogs. All have been vaccinated and about one-half are on full feed. We estimate these at two thousand dollars. The dairy has furnished during the year one hundred and seventy-two thousand six hundred and fifty-nine pounds of milk, and has made two thousand one hundred and eighty-five pounds of excellent butter. The members of the Home and hospital have at all times real cream for table use and plenty of milk to drink.

Our poultry yard, which is new, has only partially met the requirements of the Home, and we hope to increase the production of eggs and young chickens during the coming year.

The following are the major contributions made by the farm to the Home:

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| Eggs | $ 227.81 |
| Milk | 4,073.58 |
| Meat | 381.60 |
| Coal hauling | 228.47 |
| Live stock sold | 2,025.05 |
| Grain sold | 1,259.90 |
| Wood sold | 70.50 |

Nothing grown in the garden is included in the above amount, but this department has assisted materially in the supplies of the Home. The garden has produced four acres of navy beans, a large acreage of potatoes, cabbage and onions, and twenty-seven other varieties of garden products. We expect in the future to make the garden a still more important factor toward the up-keep of the Home. Many minor improvements on the farm have been made during the past year, and the premises have never been in as satisfactory condition as they are at present.

We estimate for the purposes named the following amounts are needed for the coming year:

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| Furniture for new building | $15,000 |
| Farm house and cottage | 4,500 |
| Farm buildings under course of construction | 1,750 |
| Cement drives on the Home grounds | 1,500 |
| Contribution to hard road and bridge expense (re-appropriated) | 1,500 |
| Cattle pass and culverts under new concrete road | 500 |
| Coal | 5,000 |
| General maintenance | 50,000 |

Fraternally submitted,

ROBERT J. DALY,
LOUIS L. EMMERSON,
WILLIAM D. PRICE,
ROBERT C. FLETCHER,
ANTHONY DOHERTY,
IRVING SHUMAN,
RALPH H. WHEELER, *Ex-Officio,*
AUSTIN H. SCROGIN, *Ex-Officio,*
*Board of Managers.*

So much of the report as related to appropriations was referred to the Committee on Finance. The remainder of the report was, on motion, adopted.

Reports in detail of the Superintendent, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Auditor will be found in the Appendix.

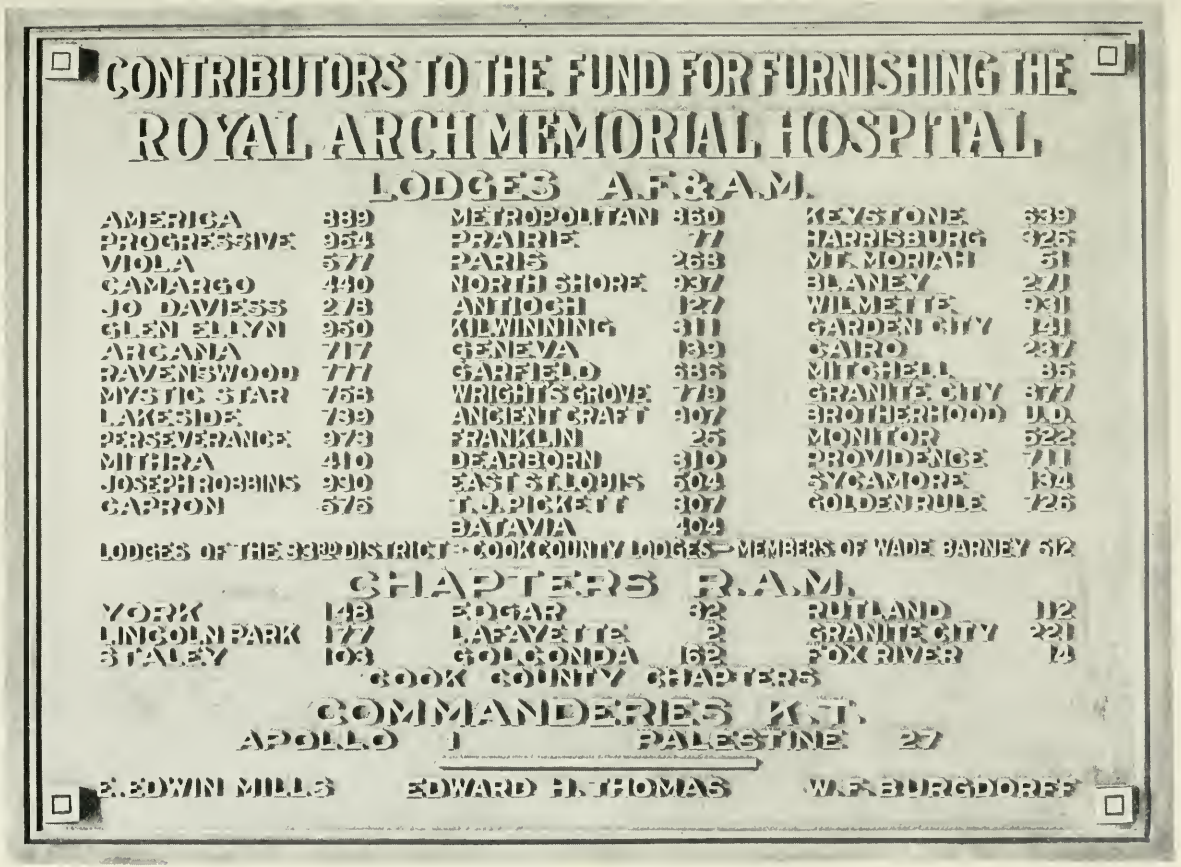
### REPORT—Committee on Jurisprudence.

Bro. Monroe C. Crawford, chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, submitted the following special report:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois.*

Your committee on Jurisprudence submits the following special report.

The most worshipful grand master at the 1916 session of this grand lodge recommended the preparation of a system of teaching the principles,




TABLET ON THE ROYAL ARCH MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

laws, rules, regulations, customs and usages of the fraternity by questions and answers, based on the code, in order that the requirements of Sec. A. Code 183 may be fully met.

That section reads as follows:

"All applicants for commissions as grand lecturers shall be thoroughly examined as to their proficiency in the work, rituals and lectures authorized by the grand lodge, *and as to their knowledge of the principles, laws, rules, regulations, customs and usages of the fraternity.*"

This committee in its report at that session unanimously concurred in the recommendation of the most worshipful grand master and suggested that he be authorized to appoint some capable brother to prepare such questions and answers to be submitted to the committee for revision and approval. That they might be submitted to the most worshipful grand lodge at this meeting for adoption or rejection.

The effect of the adoption by the grand lodge to be, to require all applicants for commissions as grand lecturers to be examined on these questions and answers in addition to the examination now required.

The report and suggestion of the committee was adopted.

Pursuant to the authority thus vested in him the most worshipful grand master, appointed most worshipful Bro. Owen Scott to prepare the questions and answers. Bro. Scott made a preliminary draft of questions and answers and had a meeting with the most worshipful grand master, the grand wardens, the grand master's Advisory Council and others designated by the grand master at which the work was reviewed and suggestions offered. The work was then revised by the author and on the 18th of July this committee met and agreed on the final revision of the work which is now submitted to you for approval or rejection.

In submitting the questions and answers in their present form this committee desires to state its view of the scope and object of the work and its effect if approved by you.

First as to its scope:—It is intended to cover the ancient charges, the charter, the constitution and all such by-laws as are now in force.

Second as to its object:—It is intended primarily as a help to applicants for commissions as grand lecturers in preparing for their examinations and incidentally as a means by which lodge officers and brethren may acquire a fairly accurate working knowledge of the principles, laws, rules, regulations, customs and usages of the fraternity as laid down in the Blue Book.

Third as to its effect if approved by you:—Your approval will simply mean that the work has been well done by most worshipful Bro. Scott and those who have assisted him, and is a fit and proper book to be used by the brethren as a help in acquiring a knowledge of the contents of the Blue Book. It will not in any sense amount to laying down any new principle

or to the passage or adoption of any new law, rule, regulation, custom or usage.

In case of conflict or supposed conflict the Blue Book and the construction put upon its provisions by this grand lodge will continue, as it now is, the supreme authority.

With this understanding we recommend the approval of the questions and answers as now framed, and their dissemination among the craft.

Respectfully submitted,

MONROE C. CRAWFORD,
OWEN SCOTT,
GEO. M. MOULTON,
WM. B. WRIGHT,
C. E. ALLEN,
*Committee.*

## RESOLUTION.

Bro. Owen Scott moved that one thousand copies of the Code-Quiz be printed for distribution.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

## REPORT—Committee on Finance.

Bro. Edward H. Thomas, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Your Committee on Finance fraternally submit the following report: We have examined the books of the right worshipful grand secretary and the right worshipful grand treasurer and find the amounts correct as therein set forth. That all moneys due the grand lodge, as noted, have been collected by the right worshipful grand secretary, properly accounted for on his books and paid over to the right worshipful grand treasurer and duly receipted therefor.

That the right worshipful grand treasurer has properly and correctly accounted for all moneys received and has on deposit in the State Bank of Chicago the cash balance and also the securities noted in his report, and which are as follows:

GENERAL FUND.

DEBIT.

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| Cash balance October 6, 1916 | $ 87,168.67 | |
| Cash received from grand secretary | 100,333.58 | |
| Total | | $187,502.25 |

CREDIT.

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| By mileage and per diem paid officers since last report | $ 4,081.10 | |
| By mileage and per diem paid representatives since last report | 17,276.51 | |
| By miscellaneous vouchers paid since last report | 73,648.46 | |
| By vouchers paid for officers' salaries since last report | 7,100.00 | |
| Total | | $102,106.07 |
| Leaving total balance on hand in General Fund | | $ 85,396.18 |

CHARITY FUND.

DEBIT.

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| Cash balance October 6th, 1916 | $ 64,109.40 | |
| Cash received from grand secretary | 120,911.65 | |
| Total | | $185,021.05 |

CREDIT.

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| By vouchers paid since last report | $163,391.85 | |
| Leaving total bal. cash on hand, Charity Fund | | 21,629.20 |
| Permanent Fund | | 302.00 |
| Making total balance of cash on hand in all funds | | $107,327.38 |
| Less vouchers No. 431, 440 and 444 on General Fund still outstanding and to make grand treasurer's and grand secretary's accounts balance | | 108.33 |
| Making total correct balance of cash on hand | | $107,219.05 |

Your committee finds the par value of investment securities in the several funds as follows:

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| Charity Fund | $ 800.00 | |
| Home for the Aged Fund | 8,000.00 | |
| Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home Fund | 84,150.00 | |
| Masonic Home Fund | 500.00 | |
| General Fund | 94,000.00 | |
| Total securities | | $187,450.00 |
| Making total assets of grand lodge | | $294,669.05 |

Your committee recommends that appropriations from the Charity Fund be made as follows:

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| Maintenance and support of Illinois Masonic Home Sullivan, for the ensuing year | $ 50,000.00 |
| Coal for Sullivan Home | 5,000.00 |
| Maintenance and support of Masonic Orphans' Home LaGrange, for the ensuing year | 26,000.00 |
| Coal for Masonic Orphans' Home, LaGrange | 3,000.00 |
| Manual Training and Domestic Science Masonic Orphans' Home, LaGrange for ensuing year | 1,000.00 |
| New Buildings Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan | 5,250.00 |
| For completion new roads Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan (unexpended balance of 1916 appropriation returned) | 1,500.00 |
| Furniture and furnishings for new building Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan | 15,000.00 |
| Building new roads on grounds of Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan | 1,500.00 |
| New Culvert Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan | 500.00 |
| For continuation of appraisals of Homes at Sullivan and LaGrange | 75.00 |
| For new boilers Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan | 7,508.43 |

Your committee also recommends that appropriations from the General Fund to defray the necessary expenses of the grand lodge for the ensuing year be made as follows:

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| For mileage and per diem of officers, representatives and committees | 22,000.00 |
| For printing and distributing proceedings | 5,100.00 |
| For Printing Code Quiz | 250.00 |
| Miscellaneous printing | 4,000.00 |
| For salaries of grand officers | 8,200.00 |
| For state schools of instruction | 1,400.00 |
| For expense of grand master's office | 900.00 |
| For expense of grand secretary's office | 1,500.00 |
| For district deputies' expense | 1,000.00 |
| For Advisory Council's expense | 1,000.00 |
| For Miscellaneous expense | 3,000.00 |
| For stenographer, telephone and other expense grand master's office | 1,200.00 |
| For additional clerk hire grand secretary's office | 1,100.00 |
| For grand secretary's office rent | 540.00 |

Your committee also recommends that orders be drawn upon the General Fund for the following:

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| Bro. Charles H. Martin, Committee on Correspondence | 500.00 |
| Bro. Chester S. Gurney, services as grand tyler | 100.00 |
| Bro. Chester S. Gurney, sundry expense | 116.38 |
| Bro. Charles G. Palmer, services stenographer | 35.00 |
| Medinah Temple Association, rent | 460.00 |
| Bro. Wm. H. Bied, for four assistant marshals and sundry expenses | 102.50 |
| Bro. Thos. J. Thomas, superintendent Medinah Temple for seven men at doors, and sundry expense | 108.85 |

Your committee also recommends that an order be drawn on the General Fund for $100.00 to the order of Phil. C. Barclay, chairman of Committee on Chartered Lodges to cover office expense, clerk hire, etc. 100.00

Also, that, order be drawn on the General Fund for $150.00 to the order of Bro. Owen Scott for expense in drafting the Code Quiz 150.00

Your committee also recommends that the sum of $10,000.00 from the General Fund be placed at the disposal of the grand master and to be disbursed by him, with the consent of the advisory council, for the benefit of Masons in the service of the government who are stationed on foreign soil and that the grand master issue a call to all of the lodges for a contribution of not less than one ($1.00) dollar per capita on their membership, and that the money so contributed shall be used for the same purpose as stated above, and they further recommend that the grand master enter into correspondence with the various grand jurisdictions urging them to unite and form a committee to handle Masonic relief work abroad 10,000.00

Also, that an order be drawn on the General Fund for $25,000.00 for the purchase of Second Liberty Loan 4% Convertible Gold Bonds of the United States of America 25,000.00

Also, that an order be drawn on the General Fund for $88.00 for legal services rendered by Bro. Harvey T. Fletcher 88.00

Also, that an additional sum of $21.25 be drawn from the General Fund in addition to the $500.00 appropriated last year for Grand Lodge Paraphernalia . . . . . 21.25

Also, that an order be drawn on the General Fund for $750.00 to the Masonic Employment Bureau to help defray expense for the noble work it is doing. . . . . 750.00

Your committee further recommends that the members of the several committees, and the past grand masters not otherwise provided for, in attendance on this annual meeting be allowed and paid the sum of $3.00 per day for each day's service rendered, in addition to the compensation provided in the by-laws, and that your committee be authorized to preserve the paid orders upon the grand treasurer for the past year, until the next meeting of the grand lodge for reference should occasion require.

Fraternally submitted,

EDWARD H. THOMAS,
THOMAS A. STEVENS,
E. EDWIN MILLS,
*Committee.*

## REPORT—Committee on Correspondence.

Bro. Charles H. Martin, Committee on Correspondence, submitted the following special report. It was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to whom was referred the application of the Grand Lodge of Panama for fraternal recognition, and an exchange of representatives, would fraternally and respectfully report, that there is nothing in, nor accompanying said application tending to show whether or not the said Grand Lodge of Panama possesses the qualifications essential to a sovereign grand lodge of Ancient Craft Masons, as heretofore uniformly insisted upon by this grand lodge as a condition precedent in order to recognition. From other sources however it is learned that the first essential in order to regularity of formation is entirely wanting, to-wit: "Legitimacy of origin of constituent lodges uniting to form a grand lodge." It appears that six lodges, (possibly seven) holding charters from the Grand Lodge of Venezuela, (or the Supreme Council of Venezuela,) united in the organization of this Grand Lodge of Panama, and that possibly one lodge has since its organization been chartered by it. If those lodges contributing to form the Grand Lodge of Panama were in fact chartered by the Grand

Lodge of Venezuela, which as above intimated does not clearly appear from any evidence at hand, it is to be observed that the lodges contributing to form the Grand Lodge of Venezuela, originally were chartered by the Grand Orient of Spain. The Grand Orient of Spain was formed from and by lodges of the planting of a Supreme Council.

Neither the Grand Orient of Spain nor the Grand Lodge of Venezuela has ever been recognized by this grand lodge, and the Grand Lodge of Panama, of necessity can be no more regular than the Mother, (Venezuela) and Grand-mother, (Grand Orient of Spain) of the lodges of which it was formed.

On the other hand, if the lodges contributing to form the Grand Lodge of Panama, were in fact chartered by the Supreme Council of Venezuela, the irregularity is still more glaringly apparent, as this grand lodge has time and again given approval to the doctrine that there is on earth no tribunal nor power competent to form or warrant a lodge of the original plan except a regular, sovereign grand lodge. In one report, so approved the following language was used:

"We utterly deny that any body save a representative grand lodge can by warrant or charter create a lodge that has any claim whatever to the name of Masonry, or that can administer its rites."

According to this rule, repeatedly announced, and uniformly adhered to by this grand lodge, neither the Supreme Council, the Grand Orient of Spain, nor the Grand Lodge of Venezuela are, or ever were, competent to form or bring into being a lodge of the original plan, and hence not a single lodge contributing to form the Grand Lodge of Panama can be regarded as a regular lodge of Ancient Craft Masons.

Your committee therefore recommends that the request of the Grand Lodge of Panama for recognition and an exchange of representatives be respectfully denied.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES H. MARTIN,
*Committee on Correspondence.*

## REPORT—Committee on Chartered Lodges.

Bro. W. W. Watson presented the report of the Committee on Chartered Lodges. It was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

We, your committee on Chartered Lodges, having checked over the reports of the constituent lodges for the year ending June 30th, 1917, present the following report:

INCREASE

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| Number raised | 11690 |
| Number re-instated | 410 |
| Number admitted | 1301 |
| Add for error | 75 |
| Total increase | 13476 |

DECREASE

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| Number suspended | 1107 |
| Number expelled | 22 |
| Number dimitted | 2340 |
| Number died | 1872 |
| Deduct for error | 51 |
| Total decrease | 5392 |

SUMMARY

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| Net gain in membership of chartered lodges | 8084 |
| Membership of chartered lodges June 30th, 1917 | 157208 |
| Number of chartered lodges | 858 |
| Members residing in Illinois | 139987 |
| Members residing outside of Illinois | 17221 |
| Number initiated | 12586 |
| Number passed | 11765 |
| Received for dues, year ending June 30th, 1917 | $157,105.25 |
| Contributed to members, their widows and orphans | 61,268.29 |
| Contributed to those not members | 14,237.46 |
| Contributed to Masonic Orphans' Home | 1,848.86 |
| Contributed to Home at Sullivan | 1,206.50 |

We are glad to report not a single lodge delinquent. Would recommend that Secretaries, where possible, use type writers in making their annual reports, as such are neater and often more legible both to the Grand Secretary's office and for this Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

PHIL C. BARCLAY,
W. W. WATSON,
W. H. BECKMAN,
ASA G. TREES,
JAS. E. JEFFERS,
*Committee.*

## SPECIAL REPORT—Committee on Chartered Lodges.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges submitted the following special report. It was adopted:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

We your Committee on Chartered Lodges, to whom the reports of the district deputy grand masters were sent for inspection and tabulation, beg to present the following special report.

Including the special deputy for the German speaking lodges thirty-eight of the deputies out of fifty-one reported on all their lodges and the other twenty-one on most of them, with the result that with 858 lodges we received reports on 804 and while most of the reports were full and complete still on quite a number of them many answers were omitted so the figures do not represent conditions as to the entire 804 lodges reported on, but are as full and complete as the data at hand will permit.

In tabulating these reports we find that:—

345 lodges owned, either jointly or exclusively, their own halls or buildings.

135 lodges carry no fire insurance on property or outfit.

485 are not provided with fire-proof safes or vaults for the safe keeping of their records.

12 secretaries were not provided with the proper books and blanks for the discharge of their duties.

In 133 lodges the records were not kept in accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge By-Laws.

In 35 lodges the character of reports of investigating committees were still recorded in minutes in violation of law.

In 34 the minutes did not show receipts for fees and dues as required by law.

39 did not show time of opening and closing.

In 48 lodges the minutes were not signed by both master and secretary.

29 lodges were not using proper form of petitions for degrees and affiliation.

In 49 lodges the by-laws were not in harmony with Grand Lodge By-Laws.

178 lodges never held meetings for practice and instruction.

41 did not have proper receiving instruments for the senior deacon.

39 had no middle chamber pillars.

49 did not have regulation third degree outfit.

12 did not have proper candidates garment.

5 had no rods for deacons or stewards.

In 51 lodges the books of secretary and treasurer were not properly audited annually.

529 did not have their secretaries and treasurers bonded.

We believe that thru the diligence of the district deputy grand masters in their work and the willingness of lodge officers to receive instruction and their desire to do and to have everything right, you will note more uniformity the coming year.

We urge upon the district deputy grand masters the importance of a liberal compliance with Code No. 165 and that they make no report on lodges which they do not visit, as such reports are of little or no value to this committee.

Fraternally submited,

PHIL C. BARCLAY,
W. W. WATSON,
ASA G. TREES,
W. H. BECKMAN,
J. E. JEFFERS,
*Committee.*

## RESOLUTION.

Bro. Carlton Taylor offered the following resolution. It was referred to the Board of Managers of the Home.

*Whereas,* Brother George W. Drain, a member of Prophetstown Lodge No. 293, was initiated on his twenty-first birthday, was raised on the 7th day of February, 1863, continued to be a member in good standing for about forty-nine consecutive years and then was suspended for non-payment of dues and only recently re-instated; and

*Whereas,* Said brother, now at the age of seventy-six years, is indigent and is seeking for himself and aged wife admission to the Home at Sullivan; and

*Whereas,* The rule formulated by the Board of Managers of the Home under the directions of the grand lodge requiring a three year membership in good standing immediately preceding application for admission prevents Brother Drain from securing admission into the Home;

*Now, Therefore,* Considering the special merits of this particular case,

*Be It Hereby Resolved,* That an exception be made in the case of Brother Drain and that the Board of Managers of said Home be and they

are hereby instructed that, notwithstanding the inability of said brother to comply with the three year membership requirement, he and his wife shall be admitted to said Home, providing it will appear to said Board of Managers that he is otherwise worthy and can comply with the other requirements for admission.

At 2:15 o'clock the Deputy Grand Master called the Grand Lodge from labor to refreshment until Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

# THIRD DAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, A. D. 1917, A. L. 5917
9:00 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Deputy Grand Master called the Grand Lodge from refreshment to labor at 9 o'clock a. m., after which the Grand Master assumed his station.

The minutes of Wednesday's session were read and approved.

## REPORT—Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

Bro. Joseph E. Dyas, chairman, presented the report of this committee. It was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances fraternally report as follows:

No. 1

LAKESIDE LODGE NO. 739 VS. * * * *

We recommend that the finding of the lodge be set aside and that the accused be declared guilty as charged and that he be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 2

JOHN CORSON SMITH LODGE NO. 944 VS. * * * *

We are of the opinion that from all the facts and circumstances in this case the action of the lodge should be affirmed, and therefore recommend that the action of John Corson Smith Lodge in finding the accused guilty and fixing his punishment at expulsion be approved.

No. 3

Oregon Lodge No. 420 vs. * * * *

We recommend that the action of the commission in fixing the punishment at indefinite suspension be set aside and that the accused be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 4

Hope Lodge No. 162 vs. * * * *

The committee recommends that the action of the lodge be sustained.

No. 5

Piper Lodge No. 608 vs. * * * *

Your committee have considered this case with much care and are of the unanimous opinion that the accused made a wilful misrepresentation to Piper Lodge, and recommend that the action of the lodge in finding the accused guilty be sustained, but that its actions in fixing the punishment of reprimand be set aside and in place thereof that the accused be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 6

Auburn Park Lodge No. 789 vs. * * * *

We recommend that the action of the trial commission in finding the accused guilty and fixing his punishment at expulsion be approved.

No. 7

Sorento Lodge No. 861 vs. * * * *

We recommend that the action of the commission in finding the accused guilty as charged in specifications numbered two and five, and not guilty as charged in specifications number four, be approved, and that the action of the trial commission in fixing the punishment at indefinite suspension be set aside, and that the accused be definitely suspended for a period of one year from October 9th, 1917.

Nos. 8, 9, and 10

In the Matters of Brothers * * * *

Your committee fully concur with the grand master that the practice of presenting gifts to past masters be prohibited and that proper steps should be taken by the grand lodge to enact the necessary legislation to prevent it in the future. Your committee recommends that this subject be referred to

the Committee on Legislation with directions to formulate and report adequate legislation to curb this pernicious practice.

No. 11

In the Matter of Jefferson Lodge No. 368

Your committee recommends that the action of the grand master in deposing the master of said lodge and requiring the said lodge to have an unanimous vote before proceeding to confer the additional degrees on the candidate, be approved.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

Joseph E. Dyas,
W. E. Hadley,
Hugh R. Stewart,
George M. Todd,
Frank E. Locke,
*Committee.*

## REPORT—Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials presented a detailed report, which was adopted. A summary is printed here and the detail in the Appendix.

Summary.

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| Grand officers | 20 |
| Past grand officers not otherwise enumerated | 1 |
| Representatives of other grand lodges | 35 |
| District deputy grand masters | 50 |
| Representatives of lodges | 1048 |
| Members of committees | 61 |
| Total | 1215 |
| Number of lodges represented | 805 |
| Number of lodges not represented | 53 |

## REPORT—Committee on Mileage and Per Diem.

The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem presented their report in detail, which was adopted. It will be found in the Appendix.

## REPORT—Committee on Lodges U. D.

Bro. B. A. Cottlow presented the report of the Committee on Lodges U. D. The report was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Your Committee on Lodges under Dispensation would respectfully report that there have been presented to it for consideration the dispensations and returns of 11 lodges which have been working under dispensation since the last annual meeting of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge and as a result of their labors present the following report:

FORTITUDE LODGE, U. D., Chicago.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge July 19, 1916, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted July 19, 1916, by Bro. Maxwell Levy, Member Board of Grand Examiners. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 109 |
| Number elected | 81 |
| Number rejected | 23 |
| Number initiated | 81 |
| Number passed | 77 |
| Number raised | 77 |
| Number not acted on | 5 |
| Number named in dispensation | 66 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | 13 |
| Number signing petition for charter | 130 |

Whose names are as follows:—

Samuel Wolf, Martyn L. Nathan, Lewis D. Levit, Adolph Blonder, Emil Selten, Oscar Marx, Nathan S. Schoenbrod, Ellis Jacobs, Samuel M. Morwitz, Maurice L. Wilhelm, Daniel Greeneberg, Myer N. Rosengard, Samuel Aronson, Abraham Edelstein, Lee Walter Wolfe, Harry Mendelson, William Kalcheim, Harry A. Silverstein, Samuel Halper, Max Mendelson, Harry L. Mandel, Nathan Grossman, Abraham William Levitus, Jacob Joseph Levitus, Nathan Konefsky, Eugene John Pollak, Benedict David Rosenberg, Henry S. Minchin, Maurice M. Finkel, David H. Rosenthal, Adolph Wolf, John Flesch, Edward Guy Blonder, Charles J. Rederer, Isaac Levin, Jacob Charles Badesch, Samuel Mayer Haimowitz, Samuel Charles Grossman, Samuel Newman, Sam Katz, Philip Lyons, Maurice Schwartz, Max L. Levit, Max Jacobs, Joseph Blonder, Samuel Simon, J. H. Benjamin, Isaac

Golden, Max Elkins, Maurice B. Whiteson, Henry C. Sandusky, D. I. Goldstone, Isaac K. Goodman, Benjamin Spira, Samuel H. Phillips, Samuel Laden, Joseph Levy, Isadore Anton Klein, I. Harris, Henry H. Skora, Hyman S. Caplan, Samuel Miller, Herman S. Weinberg, Jacob Lerner, Harry George Leon, William Arthur Greenberg, Philip H. Kahn, Simon Horwitz, Edward Greenstone, Benjamin Hecht, Meyer Silverstein, Harris Greenberg, Samuel Aberman, Simon Soboroff, Michael Haber, Harry Goldman, Aaron William Gumbiner, Edward A. Levit, Louis Marx, Barney Gibrich, Moses H. Davis, William E. Nathan, E. Nathan, Lester Solomon Phillips, Harry Wineberg, Chas. G. Rose, Jacob P. Levin, Bernard Fox, William H. Frohman, Charles Nathan, Solomon Boros, Maurice Goldman, N. D. Levitan, William Bleiweiss, Isidore Phillips, Armand D. Goldman, Louis Miller, Ralph Newberger, Milton Lawrence Loeff, Simon Davis, Frank A. Abrams, A. F. Lewis, Morris Goldstein, Samuel E. Sosna, Joseph Lustfield, Max Kalcheim, Dewitt Julius Manasse, Harry Louis Wolf, David Clyman, Edward Fox, Newton J. Federgreen, Morris N. Friedland, Sidney S. Fleischman, Harry Geller, Henry Jack Goldblatt, Edward Benario, Harry Gauss, Meyer M. Kaufman, Abraham C. Lewis, Sidney H. Minchin, B. Mindlin, Louis G. Pritzker, Jack Perlman, Nate Sommerfield, Samuel Sigal, John Silbert, Isaac Tarnopol, Melchior Whise, Samuel Zimmerman, Leonard B. Zeisler.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "Fortitude Lodge No. 1003."

Hurst Lodge U. D., Hurst, Williamson County, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge October 23, 1916, by Bro, Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted Dec. 1, 1916, by Bro. John Armstrong, D. D. G. M. for the 48th District. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 22 |
| Number elected | 15 |
| Number rejected | 4 |
| Number initiated | 15 |
| Number passed | 14 |
| Number raised | 14 |
| Number not acted on | 3 |
| Number named in dispensation | 26 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | |
| Number signing petition for charter | 40 |

Whose names are as follows:

Thomas Philip Russell, Charles W. Russell, Charles Edward Russell, Rufus R. Jacobson, Edgar Allen Carson, Isaac B. Inger, Henry Inger, An-

drew J. Zimmerman, Smith T. Baskin, W. S. Murphy, Rollo E. Edmonds, S. L. Huddleston, Chas. B. Springer, Marcus T. Ritter, Mike Sanders, George Warmack, W. L. Sparrow, W. E. Hosler, John Edmonds, J. T. Wasson, Glen Alexander, W. R. Clark, Edw. Deason, William Ganter, John R. Simpkins, Ernest Allsup, W. J. Smith, Rolla A. Martin, Chas. C. Sweany, George Hiller, Alex Wasson, J. G. Vaughan, Frank Maybell, Frank Scott, J. M. Dixon, W. J. Smothers, W. S. Willis, E. T. Pope, Thos. Fegley, Emery Howell.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "Hurst Lodge No. 1004."

COMMUNITY LODGE, U.D., Chicago.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge February 1, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted February 1, 1917, by Bro. John F. Schott, D.D.G.M. for German Speaking Lodges. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 70 |
| Number elected | 58 |
| Number rejected | 7 |
| Number initiated | 55 |
| Number passed | 54 |
| Number raised | 54 |
| Number not acted on | 5 |
| Number named in dispensation | 132 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | 1 |
| Number signing petition for charter | 185 |

Whose names are as follows:

Albert P. Bauer, Eli Silas Clark, Clyde R. Rodgers, Arthur R. Maloney, John E. Timm, Charles M. Loescher, Cornelius N. Gibson, Albert G. Hubbard, Robert Sampson, E. W. Schoenenberger, William G. Conrath, Christian Steiner, Manuel Caballero, Edward Pearl Freeman, Charles Noll, Morris J. Fast, Harold Osgood Dailey, George J. Gantner, Daniel Wm. Chas. Becker, William Bluemel, Albert E. O'Neil, P. Robert Johnson, Emil R. Moller, Arthur E. Hallstrom, William Koepke, Frank L. Hinshaw, William G. Blohm, Robert Cowles, Clarence O. Victor, Andrew C. Wood, William E. Conrath, William P. Davis, George N. Miller, Edward P. Miller, Elmer W. Olson, William H. Grafe, Nicholas Irion, Andrew Hansen, DeWitte Earl Nye, David C. Leiseberg, William H. Riemann, Paul Schultz, Robert J. Birkholz, Robert J. Schert, Fred A. Krabbe, Charles E. Johnson, Verne H. Bradford, Walter G. Wagner, Leonard N. Westmark, Samuel L. Jacobson, Arthur E. Winter, Alfred C. Larson, William Baxter, Arthur W. Pagels, Walter H.

Scott, Edward W. Breh, Frank J. Boerner, Charles L. Snyder, Charles Stift, A. J. Kling, Harry P. Parchman, William E. Zobel, Walter E. Martini, Ernest A. Bohlman, Albert Revesz, John Gohs, William Henry Sangbusch, Loui H. Baldwin, William Henry Miller, John A. Stahlmann, Charles G. R. Zuncker, Leopold H. Pijan, Ernest Weichbrodt, John Winzeler, Harry Anderson, George Renckert, Joseph M. Deckert, Jr., Christian Frederick Albert, Charles A. Fellgren, Ernest E. Price, Christ Gantner, Alvin E. Meinicke, George E. Smith, George G. Boone, Henry Hawkins, W. H. Jacobs, Arthur E. Hacker, Walter F. Elsholz, Wayne A. Kunce, Rudolph E. Hamann, Frederick L. Wehrhahn, Hans H. Helleso, H. H. Seyl, Martin Johnson, Frank C. Taylor, P. Fred W. Popenburg, Robert F. Schowalter, Emrich F. Schenk, Theodore V. Nelson, William B. Scott, Henry P. Beiler, William J. Martini, Fred W. Munk, Herbert C. Halstead, Alfred Bernard LeMer, Henry J. Rann, Walter G. Buehholz, John William Ventriss, W. W. Ziege, Theodore Nelson, Fred G. Schelling, August Wolff, John A. Johnson, Thomas R. Hanlon, Carl F. Anton, Frank A. Bromley, Arthur A. Stupe, Paul A. Heise, L. T. Brown, R. H. Halstead, William H. Wesbey, Philip J. Siebold, Rollin M. Coleman, George G. Rieker, Max C. Witteck, Fred A. Herres, Christian Keller, Ernest L. Gilbert, George W. Smith, Emil Bernhardt Meier, Jalmer E. Anderson, Arthur Eugene Genter, Wilhelm Edward Thoennissen, Clemence Nyberg, Arthur Carl Schwarm, Charles Henry Rettman, John Christoph Henry Brockmeier, Harry Fred Sangbusch, Albert August Robert Drewke, William Huck, Robert Ernest Carl Schmelzer, William Watkin Wynn Pritchard, Charles Ernst Bernard Albert, David Mantel, Charles Louis Schirmer, Clarence Victor Eck, Richard Max Bromund, Edwin Andrew Gustafson, William Charles Lang, Charles Petersen, Howard Clifford Stahl, John Holz, Clair Grover, Herman Albert Schultz, Frank Gottlieb Scherer, George William Breh, Bernhard Bernsten, Louis William Schild, Axel Frithiof Burgeson, Poul Holger, Nielssen, Robert Sebastian, George Henry Broekmeier, Joseph James Slawek, Raymond Eugene Snyder, Gordon Walker Griswold, Charles Frech, John Conrad Frech, Eric Gust Carlin, Theodore Harold Fellgren, Linus Portman, John Bernhard Gruschow, Walter Herman Rudolph, Willard William Wisehover, Ernest Joseph Spang, William Waldo Buck, Leonard Allan Ingram, Chas. Frederick Walter Schirmer, Carl John Perlstrom, Ernst Ivar Lundberg, David Harold Bergey, Richard Rudolph Harders, Charles John Noll, Henry Conrad Bauer, Jr., George Hamann, John Alfred Linden.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "Community Lodge No. 1005."

Fair Oaks Lodge, U.D., Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge April 4, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted April 5, 1917, by Bro.

Nicholas E. Murray, D.D.G.M. for the Sixth District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 32 |
| Number elected | 27 |
| Number rejected | 1 |
| Number initiated | 26 |
| Number passed | 21 |
| Number raised | 21 |
| Number not acted on | 4 |
| Number named in dispensation | 200 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | .. |
| Number signing petition for charter | 221 |

Whose names are as follows:

Charles Fremont Geise, Bert William Crissey, Edwin Daniel Wade, Albert Lewis Yeatman, John Pearson Brand, Edward Templeton Taylor, Walter Wallace Bird, Harry Winthrop Taylor, Otto Wilhelm Noren, Harry Cox Gale, Harold Hector Keating, Frank Dee Everett Schwartz, James Boyd Rankin, Thomas Scott Swirles, John James Wade, Emmons Bliss Printup, James Waldo Harris, William Wallace White, Harry Mayhew Cooper, Royal Frederick Howard, Arthur John Ochs, Harry Bennett Davis, Daniel Baker Fletcher, Frank Lee Butler, Roy Earl Hunt, Fred St. Elmo Walter, Oliver Earle Tope, Chauncey James Cornwell, Joseph Sidney Black, Charles von Hof, George Peck Thwaite, John Ezra Chisholm, Joseph Robert Blaine, John Ball, Elmer Stetson Grable, Frederick Benton Canode, Alfred Elstob Taylor, Gilbert Alexander, Edward Albert Kettlewell, William Sullivan Braidwood, James Pinkerton Davis, Harry James Lord, Herman Henry Beuvers, John Charles McEwen, John George Arnold, Harry Blount, Earl Edmund Sweet, Fletcher James Snow, Howard Allen Hallock, Samuel Homer Jones, Herbert Milton Jones, George E. Birdsall, William Robert Adams, Edwin William King, James Selden Robinson, Clarence Arthur Perkins, Richard Merrick Huston, Edward Adolph Armbruster, James Henry Rubel, Edward Frank Dudley, Fred Ferdinand Haese, Henry Charles Hobein, William Henry Bromann, Claude Weeks, Ronald Roy Robinson, William Thomas Robinson, Charles Merrilles McCann, Alvis Charles, Malow, George Robert Moore, Burt Gilbert Owen, Roger Kenney, Chris Peter Jensen, Willis Harrison Cottrell, Raemond Niles Fellows, Leland Kurtz Landis, Kenneth Elmo Rice, Frank Joachim Julius, Guy Roland Back, John Henry Freed, Robert Gus Gerhardt, Leslie Carl Meyer, Jay Porter Black, Leonard Edward Schoch, Horace Wilmar Ward, Frederic Estey Benedict, William Irving Graham, Bion Walley Huscher, Samuel McMullan, Charles Edward McAllister, George Thomas Burrell, James Cowey Burrell, Augustus Theodore Sears, Ralph Winton Haupt, John Albert Kropp,

Thomas William Mugford, Henry Archibald Lewis, A. Melville Smail, Adolph Joseph Peterhans, William John Bray, William Henry Saunders, Andrew Verschuur, Cecil Calvert Darnall, William Burlie, Frederick William Frank, Robert Y. Bradshaw, Frederick Jacob Vieth, John Wheldon Williams, Seth Alonzo Rhodes, George Benjamin Parrott, Edward Allaway, Telfer MacArthur, Benjamin Chauncey Brandstadt, Milo Nelson Geise, Nathan Ruthven Wakefield, Jr., Philip Herbert Gray, Frederick William Murray, Oscar Emil Granberg, John Frederick Cruikshank, Edwin Henry Forkel, Frank August Peterson, Joseph Austin Greenwood, William Herbert Clough, Frank Joseph Hetzel, Charles Horton Crysler, William Kirk Osborne, George Benjamin Sherman, William Bassett Henri, Edward Dobbs, Stephen Austin Dale, John Alexander Rusk, Harold Osborne, George Loomis Spence, Thomas Brown Wadleigh, Walter Everett Dwight, Lucius Belding Phelps,Joseph Patton Herza, Ernest Albert Downing, Elson Ira Dunning, Joel Vaughn George Sykes, Gilbert Kenton Wilson, Carl John Henkel, Robert Lathrop Templeton, Mathew Irwin Winger, Edward Elmer Appleton, William Henry Dangel, Charles John Canepa, John Welch Willard, Arthur Saxton Baty, Watt Entriken Babler, Joseph Thomas Herza, John Kirkpatrick Walker, Albert Henry Ingraham, Frank Elmer Tracy, Charles Frederick Hartung, Charles Edward Anderson, Ebenezer Hamilton, John Joseph Funk, Jr., William Lefebore James, George Bower Lock, William Harley, Jr., William Fitzgerald, Robert James Bruce, Robert Ernest McFarland, James Webster Coates, William Welsh Hodgson, Vernon Eugene Jefferson, Edward Joseph Caspers, Alston Charles Coy, Oliver Gilpin Smith, Edward Charles Oakes, Howard Webster Shaw, Sr., Roy Foster Nix, Hugh Marion Walter, Carl Mower Black, Richard Peter Godey, Jay Williard Hays, William Hugh Alexander Johnson, Albert Herman Bromann, Otis Booth McGantlon Tompkins, Robert Cribben Robinson, Forrest Leo Ralston, Victor Lewis, John Henry Crow, William Clarence Huhn, Charles Bodington McCandless, Louis Adelbert Bishop, Harry Preston Doud, John Dudley Roett, George Whyte Pyott, Romeo Woodford Baker, Bertram S. Culp, Herbert Clare, Thomas Higgins Squarey, William Gawne, Jr., Henry Reinhold Richter, William Alexander Garner, George Shipman Forbes, William Franklin Wade, David James, Myron Frank Sutherland, Harry Howard Stapel, Lorenzo Webster Stackpole, Harrison Charles Wood, John Vernon Patten, Ernest August Heilemann, Louis Halik, Carl Andy Anderson, Ralph Marvin Miller, Arthur Bernard Maiwurm, Orvis Allen Postlewait, Robert Royal Birch, Walter Harry Nelson, Frank Wilbur Sheppard, Albert Emil August Schreiber, Albert Henry Knaek, Wilbur Jerome Trunkey, Donald Burgett Robertson, John Albert Cohrs, Albert Alexander Kreitling, Robert Herman Yeske.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "Fair Oaks Lodge No. 1006."

Loyal Lodge, U.D., Chicago.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge April 3, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted April 6, 1917, by Bro. Jos. J. Shaw, D.D.G.M. for the Fifth District. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 41 |
| Number elected | 35 |
| Number rejected | 4 |
| Number initiated | 35 |
| Number passed | 33 |
| Number raised | 33 |
| Number not acted on | 2 |
| Number named in dispensation | 122 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | 8 |
| Number signing petition for charter | 147 |

Whose names are as follows:

Andrew Jackson Frost, Edgar Lloyd Weeks, Charles Elmer Weeks, Arthur Conrad Carlson, William Henry Tulett, Roy Edison France, Archie Warren Plant, Howard William Rotherick, William Blue Stevens, Herbert Bell Sperry, Charles Amiel Drake, Archibald Joseph Hodges, Roy Windsor Williams, Jack Renwick Verhoeff, Chauncey Munson Westervelt, Charles Orra Reynolds, Will Joseph Nichols, Hugh Taylor Harvey, John Renwick Verhoeff, Frederick Augustine Munson, Charles Cunningham Dimock, Ernest George Sheckler, Adam Currie Gilmour, Elijah Willson Bodell, George Franklin Sprague, Frederick William Mehrtens, Samuel Wilson, Ralph Frederick Jones, Herman Albertus Moje, Albert Leonard Johnson, Martin Daniel Reeder, Carl Axel Carlson, Theodore DeBower, Rudolph Herman Leitner, Clarence Walter Anderson, Wallace Andrew Tanner, George Harper Condell, Roy Lower, James Herbert Howe, William Casati, William N. Dana, John Wesley Shera, Charles Edward Meyer, Louis Peterson Dryer, Julius Max Ernst, Jr., Raymond Francis Marske, Robert Elmer McLain, William Nelson Young, Burton Frederick Secord, Charles Brown, Christian Peter Bilson, Charles Henry Bilson, Robert Henry Harter, Walter Deidrich Rathje, Frank George Effinger, Homer Bernard Murphy, Samuel Dwight Works, Arthur Robbins, Alfred William Bays, Frank Helmer Hermanson, William Brownson, Thomas E. Beasley, Lyndon Francis Wilson, Frederick Adam Fellows, Herbert Appelle Stone, Donald Carpenter Barrett, Otto Frederick Scholz, Arthur St. George Thompson, Stephan Creutz, Walter Earle Carlson, Leland Stanford Steers, Alexander White Ely, Albert Price, Earle Sherwood Barry, Blaine James Barry, August Semrad, Otto Henry Guhl, Eames Dean Elliott, Oswald Ludwig Popp, Carlisle Norwood Rowley, Sommerville Waring Thompson, John Floyd Phillips, Albert Leslie Stephens,

Louis Rendell, William Reicherts, Norman John Williams, George Frederick Gundel, Peter Dienhart, Gus Deppe Dankert, Robert Nelson Morris, Elmer John Walker, John Albert Anderson, Louis Robert Kratze, William Joseph Gundel, Harry Pope Cooke, Walter Christian Iverson, William Caton Mason, Richard Makin Williamson, Arthur Bernard Rosencrans, Ralph Hawthorne Simpson, Joseph Schumaker, Edgar Nathaniel Mayer, Joseph Black, John Albert Morse, George Harold Warner, Edward Elbert Owens, Fred Terry Pausch, Frederick Guillamme, Edward Bertelle Gordon, Jr., Peter Franklin Weiland, Carl Emil Neubert, John William Hall, Thomas Raymond Proctor, Gustav Storm Bergandahl, Wilbur Franklin Edwards, Roy Axel Swedberg, Robert Emanuel Swedberg, Harry Edward Weig, Vernon Adolph Leengram, Fred Albert Jensen, Alfred Cronberg, Millar Patterson, Sam E. Pearce, Oscar Alfred Hagglund, Alfred Semper Fishleigh, Charles Edward Curren, Sidney DeLonge Cooke, Oswald Frederick Stremmel, Harry William Lindhorn, Julius C. H. Kessler, Raymond Edgar Krumsieg, Stephan A. Colburn, Harry Arthur Hene, George Charles Kubitz, Arthur Carl Olson, Henry Ellsworth Hancock, Rudolph Carl Hammerstroem, Thomas Arthur Day, John Peder Pederson, Gustav Bichler, Eivind Julius Borsum, Jacob John Toedt, George Carpenter Brett, Bernard William Schultz, George C. Smith, Paul Conduit Crawford, George Adam Ross.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "Royal Lodge No. 1007."

PARKWAY LODGE, U.D., Chicago.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge May 16, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted May 17, 1917, by Bro. Jos. J. Shaw, D.D.G.M., for the Fifth District. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 36 |
| Number elected | 25 |
| Number rejected | 6 |
| Number initiated | 22 |
| Number passed | 22 |
| Number raised | 22 |
| Number not acted on | 5 |
| Number named in dispensation | 167 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | .. |
| Number signing petition for charter | 189 |

Whose names are as follows:

Frederick William Goebel, Charles Ludwig Erickson, Herbert Samuel Hopkins, Frank Jacob Berndt, Paul Julius Huxmann, John Edward Huber,

Oliver Wayne Alles, Charles Reinhold Jahn, Francis Bertram Scent, George Hunt, Harrison Wood McChesney, Henry William Knaus, Charles Kohn, Richard Elting Traver, John Charles Guthrie, Samuel Surkin, Andrew Paterson, Elwood Marwell Chesebro, Carl Wilhelm Reinhard Schwarz, Thomas Francis Troy, Charles Arthur Johnson, Edgar Jefferson Ireland, William Bennett Hoban, John Henry Schulz, Oscar Quick, Walter Thomas Patterson, Charles August Thiemann, Alexander Cumming, Edward Henry Jacobs, Harry Ignitius Franklyn Waseca, Walter Moffat, Bert Paul Blauert, Frank Hembes, Fred Andrew Pinkerton, Allen Adam Menger, Charles Peckham, Vernon Noble Ingalls, Thaddeus Arthur Spaulding, James Andrew Lilley, Thomas Henry Ward, Arthur Stein, George Edward Klotter, Harry Martin Cotey, Richard Van der Hoven, Daniel Druckman, Fred Ruedel, Otto Muench, William Bach, Harold Willet Leavens, Chester Milton Sutherland, George Orrin Ridenour, Richard Louis Hillebrand, Joseph Edward Urban, Walter Martin Stach, Edward Henry Borget, Edward Albert Brockmann, George Baumgartner, Charles Herman Rehder, Albert Marquardt, Emil Korn, Edward Edward Karrer, Charles Snider Flaglor, Ned Grefe, Fred Cunningham, William Lockerbie, William Frederick Reinhold Utteg, Harold Lawrence, Michael John Bindig, Frederick William Johnson, MacKenzie Telfer, Anton Schmidt, William Christopher Fischer, Louis Richard Richardson, Edwin Oertel, John Brocker, Edward Orsenous Stewart, Fred August Rottner, William George Abraham, William Peelner Wissmann, August Fred Ideker, Charles John Rieck, Sidney August, Leo Abeles Levy, James Cousins, Ike Levy, George Sophus Peterson, Otto Nickolas Berndt, William Herman Koehne, Isidor Immergluck, Edward Herman Olson, William Helfrich, Joseph Booth, Andrew Jansen, Albert Henry Rottner, Daniel Thomas DeVaney, Edmund Dexter Kendall, Thomas William Lancaster, Harry Eugene Loomis, Joseph Pedro Schinzing, Fred Emil Peterson, Kaiser Michael Beshshure, Paul Carl Dittman, Edward Frank Kaul, Max George Schumann, Edgar Adolph Wangersheim, Samuel Martin Myers, William Ewing McCain, Morris Goodman, William Frederick Schaudt, Paul Witzke, Edward John Bowen, Peter Olson Torset, Carl Augustus Billeter, Carl Vogelgesang, Ernest Schultz Nielsen, Hilmer Martin Mortensen, George Harry Gunkel, Carl Hajee, Fred Molt, Harry Robert Sternheim, Edwin William Smith, Walter Joseph Trost, Roy John Titus, Arthur Irving Peters, Herbert Julius Sundmacher, Oakland Franklin Adams, James Roy Lancaster, William Walton, Paul Adam Haag, Paul Stiel, George Ferdinand Storch, Melchior Schneller, Julius R. Ludolph, Walter Schapper, John Robertson, Frank McGuire, Isaac Denman Patton, George Smith Van Nostrand, Jacob Charles Elias, Ralph Cook Leavens, Walter Alexander Ransom, Gordon Timothy Case, Antonio Mortorano, William Pardon Hammond, Jr., Edward Bernard Eisenberg, Edward John Siebert, Charles Abraham Lincoln Rubey, John Gilchrist McGregor, Rudolph Frank Bielefeld, William Frederick Hill, Jerold William Schumacher, David Klotter, Joseph Allen DuBois, Herman

Buchmuller, Charles Henry Wolter, Reinholdt Albert Wolter, William Arnold Hartmann, Ernest Olson, Homer Chase Hartshorn, Matthew Charles Woelfle, Charles Hernreich, Harry Simon Levy, Victor Hugo Bielefeld, Paul Robert Klingsporn, Robert Hopkins Wiley, Lewis Moffett Carpenter, August Krueger, Lawrence Franklin McCloud, Edward Arthur Winsauer, Herman Grethel, Michael Cohen, Richard Alvin Bielefeld, Urban Volpert Comes, Robert Lockerbie, Comer Henry Hutton, Lyle Dickey Watkins, Morris Moss, Fred Herman Martyn, Charles August Beyer, Frank William Zastrow, Harry Carleton Wisner, Guy Oethnell Henderson, Fred William Peters, Paul Sternberg, Frank Schwartz, Robert William DePau, Arthur Artemun Chapell, George Henry England, Albert Jampolis.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "Parkway Lodge No. 1008."

Hiram Lodge, U.D., Chicago.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge may 24, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted May 29, 1917, by Bro. Hiram Vanderbilt, D.D.G.M., for the Seventh District. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 17 |
| Number elected | 14 |
| Number rejected | 1 |
| Number initiated | 13 |
| Number passed | 13 |
| Number raised | 13 |
| Number not acted on | 2 |
| Number named in dispensation | 78 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | 1 |
| Number signing petition for charter | 90 |

Whose names are as follows:

Henry M. Witt, Edward A. Titcomb, Fred Bentley, David G. Prew, Stephen A. Cross, Orville Lynam, David S. Wilkinson, Charles Ladd, John W. Jones, Earl B. Winslow, Richard H. Inman, Frank O. Sundeen, John E. Glenister, William G. Weise, Oswin E. Hebenstreit, Herbert W. Ostrander, Frank M. Seely, Noble L. Fellows, Ferd L. Dittmar, Henry S. Mansfield, Johnstone McCalmont, Edward C. Schumann, George A. Vant, George Richardson, Wm. N. Fleight, Wm. M. Wilson, Richmon Bates, Edward Hendrickson, Charles Wiesen, Norman J. Miller, Newell A. Frye, Edwin J. Raber, Axel V. Heden, Edward T. Miller, Charles J. Wagenknecht, Ira S. Schlegelmilch, Richard O. Baumann, Freddie A. Meier, Charles W. G.

Thiele, Fred W. Hager, Frederic C. Weeks, William M. B. Smale, Hafdan A. Hansen, Arthur H. Helmholtz, Joseph Mersot, William W. Little, Robt. J. Hillinger, John W. Scribner, Herman B. Seltman, Henry A. Schumann, Charles Asmann, John A. Alexander, Louis C. Larsen, Benj. F. Bywater, Wm. Hennessey, Chas. E. Nelson, Harry W. Cramer, Richard H. Hebenstreit, Wm. F. Law, Charles H. Banks, George E. Ladd, Walter G. Potter, Cartar Clifford Coehran, Louis Leonard Leu, Martin O. Brown, Frank F. Fish, Otto Henry, George Henry, Henry J. T. Tansley, Simpson M. Boardman, William L. Lomax, Otto Hamburg, Walter A. Daley, Frank Estes, Benjamin Metz McDonald, Charles Walton Salisbury, Walter S. Bell, Charles Theophilus Anderson, James Howard Hart, John Allace Greske, Orville Markel, Charles Fred Witt, Frank Eugene Glover, Edward Ferdinand Kohtz, Henry August Miller, John Clarke, George Louis Seibold, John Julius Larsen, Frederic Adam Obenauer, Henry August Schroederer.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "Hiram Lodge No. 1009."

Honor Lodge, U.D., Chicago.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge June 19, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted June 20, 1917, by Bro. Jos. J. Shaw, D.D.G.M. for the Fifth District. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 33 |
| Number elected | 23 |
| Number rejected | 4 |
| Number initiated | 22 |
| Number passed | 18 |
| Number raised | 18 |
| Number not acted on | 6 |
| Number named in dispensation | 86 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | .. |
| Number signing petition for charter | 104 |

Whose names are as follows:

Wm. R. Nealeigh, John Kurtz, Walter F. Moritz, Edwin Moelmann, Harry P. Bartlett, John Erickson, Walter U. Shand, Charles F. Smith, Fred J. Bohle, George D. Sahm, Myron B. Hall, Ludwig Wahlquist, Frank E. Terrio, Paul L. Watchel, Henry F. Harloff, Oscar A. Hansen, Otto Butzback, Edward F. Bredfield, Ove W. Ingstrup, Ray W. Forrester, Wm. Rakow, Henry A. Bard, Charles L. Ossowski, Edward Hochmuth, Harry W. Nelson, Edwin N. Feare, Oliver S. Whitmore, William F. Brown, Abraham J. Levy,

Clement N. Terrell,Otto E. Mueller, Paul Miller, Goodman E. Olson, Oscar H. Solum, Fred C. Neebe, Charles H. Serum, Rev. E. C. Dolbeer, Albert G. Mueller, Elmer E. Erickson, Alfred Weisenborn, George L. Henry, Raymond S. Winship, William S. Nyman, Albert J. Dew, John W. Wood, Paul J. P. Christensen, W. C. Wrath, Arvid L. Peterson, Fred H. Jorgesen, Dr. Clarence D. Barker, Paul C. Schussman, Charles L. Anderson, Ralph Radland. Wm. H. Twigg, Frank M. Schneider, Louis B. Strzalkowski, Charles P. Koeber, John H. Madsen, August G. Seitz, Edmond L. Brunswick, Russell V. Lenox, David L. Decker, H. O. Blom-Carlsen, Edward Larsen, Arthur Sundin, Wm. O. Conrad, Herman Reig, Ernest J. Herbold, Charles H. Morse, Wm. F. Brandt, August Konckenmus, Jacob C. Wahl, Otto O. Nelson, Oscar E. Stephan, Frederick A. Brown, Fred J. Steuber, August Anderson, Neils Peter Neilsen, Charles P. Ditlefsen, Arnt H. Anderson, Joseph F. Fernoch, Clyde A. Golding, Joseph C. Permort, W. W. Gray, Arthur D. Bishop, Wm. Wrath, Christian Neilsen, Jr., Christian Peter Blume, John Walter Schaad, Karl Gideon Flodin, Alexander Ludwig Hansen Ernest William Schroeder, Francis Theodore Eggert, John Julius Wagner, Lyle Marshal Schoeneck, Raymond Joseph Erickson, Paul Gygax, Daniel Arthur Roberts, Robert Bernhard Albrecht, Guy Raymond Woodruff, Frederick H. Nehls, Otto August Klatt, William Fred Gunther, Einer Paul Schroder.

We recommend that a charter be issued this lodge as "Honor Lodge No. 1010."

Woodson Lodge, U. D., Woodson, Morgan County, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge June 16, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted June 23, 1917, by Bro. A. C. Metcalf, D.D.G.M. for the Thirty-first District. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 2 |
| Number elected | 2 |
| Number rejected | 0 |
| Number initiated | 2 |
| Number passed | 2 |
| Number raised | 2 |
| Number not acted on | 0 |
| Number named in dispensation | 27 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | 0 |
| Number signing petition for charter | 29 |

Whose names are as follows:

Cyrus C. Self, Earl W. Sorrells, Ralph R. Jones, Samuel J. Baxter, Edward Bradley, Joseph T. Self, William Nicol, Richardson D. Megginson,

James H. Devore, Allan R. Sturdy, Wylie H. Oldham, Charles W. Watson, Edwin Cade, James T. Johnson, Edgar S. Vasey, Dr. George W. Miller, George A. Megginson, George T. Megginson, James L. McCormick, James W. Galloway, Fred M. Rook, John R. Wilson, Harold T. Barton, Jesse Henry, J. Rex Ranson, Ralph W. Megginson, John H. Shirley, Joseph Chester Colton, Edward Gallagher.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "Woodson Lodge No. 1011."

Birchwood Lodge, U.D., Chicago.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge June 23, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted July 3, 1917, by Bro. Jas. A. Steven, D.D.G.M. for the Second District. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 46 |
| Number elected | 36 |
| Number rejected | 0 |
| Number initiated | 32 |
| Number passed | 9 |
| Number raised | 9 |
| Number not acted on | 10 |
| Numbed named in dispensation | 193 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | 1 |
| Number signing petition for charter | 201 |

Whose names are as follows:

Robert Christianson Abt, William Russell Alford, Herbert Poidevin Amet, Martin Eli Anderson, Alvan Robert Armstrong, Samuel Armstrong, David C. Babcock, Paul Gustave Bachmann, Richard W. Baldwin, Sidney Lyle Beach, Frederick Jacob Becker, Herman Theo. Becker, Harry Mark Bennett, Gustav Walter Berthold, Oscar S. Betting, Edward Lincoln Biel, Louis William Biel, Morris Beil, Ferdinand Augustus Bischoff, Jr., Charles Rufus Bixby, George Henry Bliss, Charles B. Bogue, Frank George Boomer, Harry Edwin Bruce, Maurice Edward Bosley, Warren Harry Burtis Charles Goldstrom Campbell, Chillis Ira Carter, Glen L. Cavanaugh, Frank Stuart Bates Cheesman, Orville Exerest Cheesman, Charles Arthur Christerson, Royal Edmund Christianson, Allen John Cline, William Alfred Coles, Edward Gardner Cone, Archibald Osborn Coddington, Normand Copeland, Clarence Ray Cowell, Francis Norwood Culver, Frederick Charles Dettmer, William Sherman Donahey, Spencer Herbert Dove, Oscar Alvan Drehmann, William Alexander Dugane, Thomas Othello Duncan, Francis Ellsworth Dunlap, Matthew Elbridge Dunlap, Burleigh Arthur Dunlap, Robert Muratt

Dunlap, Gustavus Parsons Drueck, Walter Thomas Evans, Warren Kirk Fields, Maxwell Winans Fiero, Joseph Fischer, Vernon Okey Ford, Harry Charles Freund, Michael Alex Friedman, Samuel Frier, Charles Eimert Gabel, Frederick A. Gale, Elmer Louis Gates, James Edwards Geissinger, Herbert Theo. Gielow, Leslie LeRoy Goddard, Walter Williams Goddard, Frank Hathway Goit, Edward Gerald Gordan, Byron Thomas Gregg, Samuel Houston Gunder, Brewer McDonald Hadley, Andrew Alex Hall, Harry Herman Haynie, Henry James Healey, Arthur Herbert Henry, Alfred Herz, John Wilson Hill, Roy Wilson Hill, George Adam Hinterlitner, J. Randolph Hoaglund, Carl Alfred Edward Hoest, Herman Nicholas Hollander, Edward Ewing Hooper, Henry Francis Hooper, Clyde Oscar Hornbaker, William Rogers Howe, Julius Herz Huber, Arthur Pane Hunneman, George Christian Ickes , Max Eckersdorff Immerwahr, Andrew John Ireland, Lester George Joe Jackel, William Jackel, James Bernard Jackson, Walker Jenson, Ariel Clyde Jewell, Jacob Judson, Frank Fremont Kelogg, Webster Fillmore Kellogg, Harry Allan Keys, Ralph Frank Klein, George Albert Knoblauch, Henry Krause, Fred William Kraft, Marion Edward Lamb, Charles Lange, Louis Edward Langille, Daniel Levy, Jacob Lorenz, Adolph Eugene Lundin, Louis Lutz, Donald Inness MacDonald, Charles C. Madsen, Charles Russell Mahan, Frank George Manz, Robert Giles Marshall, Emanuel Marx, Victor Emanuel Marx, Elmer Thure Matson, James Matson, Orner Gabriel Matson, Charles A. McCuddy, Glen Howard McKenzie, Max Henry Meyer, Charles Herman Meyering, Julius Valentine Meyering, Victor Metzger, Arthur Johnson Mitchell, Walter George Moorhead, William Henry Moorhead, Ralph Parker Morrell, Ralph Robert Morris, William Albert Morris, Leopold Nathan, James Lyle Ottmann, Justin K. Orvis, Edward Arthur O'Shaughnessy, Harry Williams Paddock, William King Pattison. Richard Matthew Peare, William Sayers Peavey, Charles Peterson, Frank Ploner, Howard Charles Peterson, William Rayfield Peete, Charles Alexander Pride, George Louis Raymer, Luther Grant Raymer, Edward E. Redderson, Manly Lincoln Redfield, Edwin Colville Reeder, Frank Carey Rogers, Ralph F. Roth, Joseph George Ruck, Fred John Russell, Hans Albert Oliver Ryerson, Albert Thornton Saveland, Theo. William Saveland, Howard David Schaefer, Otto Jacob Schafer, Harry Miller Schermerhorn, Anton J. Schwartz James Sheddon, Frederick Aug. Sieman, Edward Simons, Marcus Eugene Smith, Wm. Albert Van Vorhees Smith, William Jefferson Smith, Emil Samuel Sommerfield, Harry Stanton, Charles Stecher, Albert Johann Strohm, John Henry Stube, Don Carlos Sutton, William Everett Taylor, John George Uebelhack, Richard Alyea Van Houten, Isaac Vogel, Charles Bruce Walls, Robert Thirloway Walton, Wallace Samuel Warnock, Frederick Orlando Weaver, Jalmer Peter Westerdahl, Harry Lorin Wells, Herbert Strieby White, William Robert White, William Jay Wheeler, Edgar Bertram Wicklander, Antot G. Wille, Walter Morris Williams, William Alexander Williamson, Byron Horace Willis, William Ritchie Wilson, Anthony

Johanson Wiborg, Clark Garfield Wiltz, Frank Chester Wright, John Gordon, Wright, Wesley John Woolston, Enoch Wood, Dana Loring Woodworth, Pater Franklin Young.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as "Birchwood Lodge No. 1012."

John Paul Jones Lodge, U. D., Chicago.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge July 16, 1917, by Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master. This lodge was instituted by Bro. Claude R. Glover, D. D. G. M. for the Fourth District. The work of this lodge is as follows:

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| Number of petitions received | 23 |
| Number elected | 10 |
| Number rejected | 3 |
| Number initiated | 6 |
| Number passed | 5 |
| Number raised | 3 |
| Number not acted on | 10 |
| Number named in dispensation | 74 |
| Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter | 3 |
| Number signing petition for charter | 74 |

Whose names are as follows:

Louis Steinberg, Aaron Bloom Harris, David Andelson, Morris Andelson, Nathan Greenberg, Samuel Marmor, Robert Leon Huttner, David Horwich, Henry William Gross, Herman Raphael Schiff, Ira Steinberg, Nathan Meyer, Jacob Handelsman, William Kohn, Benjamin Steinberg, Jacob Levy, Moras Shearn, Morris Eckstein, Theodore Philippe, David Max Deitch, Salem N. Baskin, Soloman Ladinski, Fred Eugene Aronade, Sam Hork, Morris Stein, Abraham Croutch, Abraham Edward Aberman, Nathan Andelson, Samuel Borris Katz, Herman Wolff, Max Becker, Abraham Jacob Krom, Samuel Zak, Bernard Jadwin,Charles Augustus Hendricks, Jacob Benovy, Isidor Edward Chez, Benjamin Jacob Neiman, Joseph Albert Goldstein, Jacob Louis Friedman, Joseph Kiva Harris, Abram Smith, Hymen Louis Seigel, Harry Cohn, Sheppard Remington, Ascher Hirsch Charles Goldfine, Harry Wartelsky, Charles Hyman, Isaac Edward Harris, Julian Peter Krakowski, Ulysses Isaac Sabel, Mordecai Rosenberg, Jacob Barson, Max Krol, Julius Joseph Leavitt, Julius Levinson, Morris Goldberg, Moses C. Schiff, Louis Hymen, Simon Fishel Salinger, Charles Harold Finke, Joseph Reubine Wilk, Abraham Morris Wolson, Hyman Wolson, Julius Dulsky, Joseph George Cannon, Israel Cohen, Sander Brichta, Samuel Heller, Herman

Mautner, Sam Herman Strauss, Julius Jay Goldfine, Maurice Herman Goldfine, Julian Bomash.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as "John Paul Jones Lodge No. 1013."

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN JOHNSTON,
B. A. COTTLOW,
HARRY L. BROWNING,
DELBERT I. DUCK,
EDWARD C. MULLEN,
*Committee.*

## REPORT—Committee to Examine Visitors.

Bro. Maxwell Levy, chairman of the Committee to Examine Visitors, made the following report. It was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of the State of Illinois:*

Your Committee to Examine Visitors have the honor to report that they have examined all visitors who have presented themselves for that purpose during this session of the grand lodge and have vouched for them to the grand tyler.

Dated at Chicago, this 11th day of October, 1917.

MAXWELL LEVY,
H. S. WILEY,
R. C. DAVENPORT,
S. C. D. REA,
ALBERT JAMPOLIS,
*Committee.*

## AMENDMENT OFFERED.

Bro. Elmer E. Beach offered the following amendment to Code No. 824. It was seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges and referred to the Committee on Legislation.

Amend Code 824 by the addition of the following paragraph:

A. Any Mason in Illinois who shall hereafter enter into any of the businesses enumerated in Section A of Code 447, shall be placed on trial and if found guilty, shall be expelled.

## RESOLUTION.

Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler offered the following resolution. It was adopted.

We find that the size of our grand body has increased until the capacity of an ordinary place will not accommodate us and we have been obliged to come into this large auditorium. All men are not endowed alike in many respects and but few men are endowed with a sufficient voice to fill a room of this size. *Therefore be it resolved*, that the Grand Master be empowered to appoint a reading clerk as one of his officers.

## REPORT—Representative Masonic Relief Association.

Bro. Robert J. Daly presented his report as Representative to the Masonic Relief Association. It was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois: Brethren:*

As the representative of this Grand Lodge, and in company with the grand master, deputy grand master, grand secretary,and senior grand deacon, I attended the twelfth biennial meeting of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. It was one of the most interesting and instructive meetings it has been my privilege to attend. There were gathered together at that meeting some of the brightest minds in this great institution. There were present the grand masters of nine states, several past grand masters and thirty-three grand jurisdictions were represented. There has been a steady growth in the association and it is doing a great work in giving assistance to those who are in need and who are entitled to it, and at the same time working toward the elimination of the imposter who is continually preying upon the fraternity.

Several matters of great importance with reference to organized relief, employment and information bureaus were presented. There was a sentiment in favor of reducing the per capita tax this year, but owing to the present unsettled condition of affairs and the heavy call that will undoubtedly be made upon Relief Associations, this was not thought to be an opportune time to reduce the revenue.

There is no question whatever but what the Grand Lodge of Illinois is reaping ample benefit from their membership in the association.

Brother Charles Blasdel of Syracuse, New York, was elected president, Rev. Willis D. Engle of Indianapolis, Indiana, secretary, and your representative was re-elected a member of the Executive Board.

## REPORT—Committee on Petitions.

Bro. C. O. Fought presented the report of the Committee on Petitions. The report was adopted.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:*

Your Committee on Petitions have in their hands thirteen requests for change of names, five of which have been changed legally by the court, viz:

EXHIBIT NO. 1.

Petition of Hesperia Lodge No. 411, Chicago, to change the name of Charles Schwalm to that of Charles Swan.

Petition of Garden City Lodge No. 141, Chicago, to change the name of Max Cohen to that of Max H. Cowen.

Petition of Garden City Lodge No. 141, Chicago, to change the name of Paul Salewski to that of Paul Schneider.

Petition of Landmark Lodge No. 422, Chicago, to change the name of Louis Adolph Sandmeyer to that of Adolph Louis Sandmeyer.

Petition of Integrity Lodge No. 997, Chicago, to change the name of William Jacob Michle to that of William Jacob Waldmann.

Your committee would recommend that the prayer of the above petitioners be granted.

EXHIBIT NO. 2.

Petition of Paul Revere Lodge No. 998, Chicago, to change the names of Charles R. Kolkow to Charles R. Woods, and George W. Kolkow to George W. Woods.

Petition of Woodlawn Park Lodge No. 841, Chicago, to change the name of Edward F. Rose to that of Edward F. Ruze.

Petition of Woodlawn Park Lodge No. 841, Chicago, to change the name of Paul A. Detbrener to that of Paul A. Dett.

Petition of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 863, Chicago, to change the name of M. A. Krupkin to that of M. A. Krupp.

Petition of Olympia Lodge No. 864, Chicago, to change the name of Herbert L. Thompson to that of LeRoy Thompson.

Petition of Cicero Lodge No. 955, Cicero, Illinois, to change the name of Albert L. Hazel to that of Albert A. Langosch.

Petition of Composite Lodge No. 879, Chicago, to change the name of Andrew Polsky to that of Andrew Foster.

Petition of Meridian Lodge No. 183, Earlville, Illinois, to change the name of Melville C. Alyea to that of Melville C. Van Alyea.

Your committee after careful consideration seriously doubts the propriety of encouraging the practice of permitting the membership of the fraternity to change their names on the Masonic record, without the brother first legalizing the name sought, by a due process of law. There being no evidence before the committee of the legalization of the names selected by the brothers, your committee therefore recommends that the prayers of the petitioners in Exhibit No. 2 be not granted.

EXHIBIT NO. 3.

Petition of Thomas J. Turner Lodge No. 409, Chicago, to reinstate Herman I. Priess, who was expelled on December 16, 1916, for unmasonic conduct.

His offense consisting of his signing a petition for the initiation of a young man, giving the wrong residence.

It is the opinion of the committee, after careful examination into the facts, that the accused had no evil purpose in view by the mistake thus made, and your committee recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

EXHIBIT NO. 4.

Petition of Charles Hopewell to be reinstated to good standing in the fraternity.

It appears from the evidence before the committee that the petitioner was a member of National Lodge No. 596, and while under sentence of suspension for non-payment of dues, the aforesaid lodge became defunct.

The petitioner having complied with all the requirements of the Masonic law, by accompanying the petition with a check for his arrearage, your committee therefore recommends that he be reinstated to good standing in the fraternity.

EXHIBIT NO. 5.

Petition of Kavanaugh Lodge No. 36, Elizabeth, Illinois, to reinstate Joseph Rees, who was expelled June 26, 1885.

The alleged offense of the brother was for failing to answer a summons from the aforesaid lodge to appear and show cause why he should not be suspended for non-payment of dues.

It is the opinion of your committee that the brother has been sufficiently punished for his attitude in this matter and recommend that the prayer of the brother be granted.

EXHIBIT NO 6.

Petition of Rome Lodge No. 721, Dix, Illinois, to reinstate John Nash. The subscriber represents that he was formerly a member of said lodge,

that on or about November 20, 1912, he was expelled for unmasonic conduct and is now desirous of being reinstated.

The evidence before the committee shows that he has complied with all the requirements of the law and has been sufficiently punished for his conduct. Your committee would therefore recommend that the prayer of the brother be granted.

EXHIBIT No. 7.

Petition of Oakland Lodge No. 219, Oakland, Illinois, to reinstate Henry Brandt to good standing in the fraternity.

It seems from the evidence before the committee that it was a family trouble between him and his father-in-law. He has the reputation of being a hard working, honest man, of good habits, and a good citizen, taking good care of his family. The vote of the lodge to reinstate him was *unanimous.*

Your committee therefore would recommend that he be reinstated to good standing in the fraternity.

EXHIBIT No. 8.

Petition of Kishwaukee Lodge No. 402, Kingston, Illinois, to reinstate C. J. Cooper to good standing in the fraternity.

The evidence before the committee shows that the brother was expelled from the rights and privileges of Masonry on the ground of defrauding his father, brothers, and a brother Mason for pecuniary benefits, also that of being a gambler and a drunkard.

There being no evidence before the committee that the brother has in any way reformed, or that he is any better man than he was at the time the offense was committed, and his alleged conduct being of a questionable nature, your committee therefore recommends that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

EXHIBIT No. 9.

Petition of Erie Lodge No. 667, Erie, Illinois, to reinstate Elmer P. Myers, who was expelled by Bollen Lodge No. 412, November 16, 1903, for unmasonic conduct. Erie Lodge No. 667 and Bollen Lodge No. 412, having consolidated.

It appears from the evidence before the committee that the brother when brought to trial, plead guilty to the charge of forging the names of Masons to a note and afterwards served a term in the penitentiary for his misdeed. There being no evidence before the committee that the brother has in any way recanted from his previous habits or that he is any more deserving of masonic rights than at the time of his expulsion.

Your committee therefore recommends that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

EXHIBIT No. 10.

Petition of Kenwood Lodge No. 800, Chicago, to reinstate Charles Scammon Barker, who was expelled October 15, 1913, for unmasonic conduct.

It appears from the evidence before the committee that all the requirements of law have been complied with.

Your committee therefore recommends that the prayer of the brother be granted.

EXHIBIT No. 11.

Petition of George H. Burtt, formerly a member of Hinsdale Lodge No. 649, defunct, accompanied by a request of Hinsdale Lodge No. 934, for reinstatement.

It appears from the evidence before the committee that the petitioner was suspended from Hinsdale Lodge No. 649, for non-payment of dues and while under suspension, the lodge became defunct. The petition was accompanied by a check covering his arrearage to the time of his suspension.

Your committee respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

JOHN C. WEIS,
C. O. FAUGHT,
L. F. CHILDS,
*Committee.*

## THE GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS.

Governor Frank O. Lowden was introduced to the grand lodge by Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master.

Brother Lowden, when I as Grand Master of Masons attended the school of instruction in the capital of our State last February, I had the pleasure of meeting you and sitting in lodge with you, and I take this occasion to say to you that I personally, and the Masons of the State of Illinois, felt that it was an honor indeed to have you leave the arduous duties of your office to dignify a school of instruction with your presence for we knew that the duties of your office were more than ordinarily heavy because of the fact that the legislature was in session.

On that day I conceived the idea that the Masons ought to know you more intimately, and there was no better method of having them realize who you were and what you are than to have you come to this Grand Lodge.

I do not need to tell you, but I am going to tell this Grand Lodge that I have been on your trail ever since last February, and it was only the day before yesterday that I received a favorable answer. The Governor is here.

These brethren appreciate the fact, sir, that you are an executive that any state,—yes, that even the nation might be proud of.

The administrative work that you are doing in our commonwealth, sir, is deserving of appreciation. The work that you are doing in connection with the war activities certainly is entitled to great recognition, and I felt that you might be of great benefit in that direction by inspiring the Masons of the State of Illinois in their patriotic duty.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, it is my pleasure and great privilege to present to you Brother Frank O. Lowden, a member of Oregon Lodge, and the Governor of Illinois.

## Governor Lowden responded as follows:

I need not say that it is always a great pleasure to me to meet, wherever I may be, my brother Masons. It is a particular pleasure at this time, in this crisis of the world's history, when the great words which Masonry has spoken, when the great principles for which Masonry stands are challenged by military autocracy upon the other side of the sea, to meet with you and fraternize and renew our allegiance to our ancient ideals.

Only this morning I see by the daily press that Count von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to America, during the time when we were at peace with the country which he represented, was busily engaged in conspiring against the weal of the country whose hospitality had been offered to him with a generous hand. I could not help but think as I read those dispatches how a nation corrupts even its own citizens, that adopts for its fundamental principle the idea that it is under no moral responsibility to anyone or to any principle.

I had the pleasure of knowing Von Bernstorff, and I regarded it a pleasure then, during the years while I was living in Washington. I believed him at that time to be a man of principle and character. I now believe that if he had been born under the American Flag and lived in the atmosphere of a nation that counts its honor as sacred as a man counts his honor, he would not have been betrayed into the practices of a criminal nature which are revealed today.

The very corner stone of Masonry, forbids the things which he did under the impulse of that idea which is devastating the world,—the idea that a nation can do no wrong and that all moral and ethical considerations which bind individuals do not control in the action of the state,—and that idea must be stamped out forevermore, if peace in any permament form is ever to return to the world. What we need is a new development of national conscience. what we must have is an abandonment of the idea that what is wrong for an individual is right for a nation. What civilization needs is that the nations of the world in their relation and dealings with one an

other should adopt the principles upon which this order stands, so that the square and compass may be as controlling, in the dealings of one nation with another, as they are between one Mason and his brother Mason.

I realize that many people have criticized the President because he said that we could not have peace until there was some one in Germany in whom we had confidence enough to deal, and who had the power to speak for Germany. I realize that it was charged in Germany, when that utterance was made, that it was not for us to interfere in the internal government of any country, but in the light of the revelations made today I submit that the President was right,—and that it would be a waste of time to enter into negotiations with a country whose representative, to whom the doors of America's hospitality were opened, has sought to foment disorder within our borders.

So long as the idea which Prussian autocracy holds, that the State can do no wrong; that it is absolved from the obligation of a treaty; that humanity's gentle voice may be ignored by a nation; so long as that monstrous idea rules the government of Germany, America nor any other civilized, self-respecting country can make peace with her.

Who would have believed that such a thing was possible? Who would have believed that a representative of a great country, received by a great country, honored everywhere, and who, upon leaving that country, with hypocritical tears upon his cheek, confessed his life's failure because he could not keep peaceful relations between this country and Germany; who would have believed it possible that this man could have been conscious, all the while, during the months that lay before, of violating every obligation of hospitality; every obligation of honor, every rule of decency?

The idea that the state is free to do whatever seems to benefit its people most; the idea that morality and ethics do not bind a Christian commonwealth; the idea that force is the last argument in all difficulties,—those ideas must be killed, or there is no peace for the future of humanity, and for the future of the world.

And so it gives me great pleasure, my friends, to be here this morning, to be in the midst of a body of men, who many of them half a century ago, avowed other principles,—rectitude, charity, and love as the controlling principles of their lives, and to express the hope that some day, in some great international meeting of Masons, we may evolve the further idea that, as men can live together in honor and amity, and peace, so may nations, if they will only take for their inspiration the great ideas which have held us together as individuals all these years.

Another thought and I am done. It was not well with us even before this war commenced. The old idea upon which this nation was builded, of human brotherhood, was gradually yielding to a gross materialism. And

this war which is being fought in the name of human brotherhood, that bears aloft the standard of humanity; that exalts the rights of the plain, common man above the divine right of kings, this war, let us pray, my friends, may bring back the old sense of human brotherhood, and if it does, this noble and ancient Order will enter upon a new and grander era than any that it has ever had before.

At the conclusion of the remarks by Governor Lowden the Grand Master said:

Brother Lowden, I hardly think that words can express to you the appreciation of the Masons of Illinois as well as they have expressed themselves by their manifestations while you were addressing them. However, formally on behalf of the Grand Lodge and Masons of Illinois, I thank you for coming here.

As a bit of evidence of the loyalty of the Masons of this jurisdiction, I want to inform you that when the first call came for money by the Government, this grand lodge invested twenty-five thousand ($25,000.00) dollars in the Liberty Loan. We issued a call to the lodges asking them at that time to invest any surplus funds they might have on hand in this manner, and we also urged the membership to support the nation by contributing liberally to the Red Cross.

When we came to this session of the Grand Lodge we found that we were so situated that we might assist a little bit more, and we have authorized the purchase of an additional twenty-five thousand dollars in the Liberty Loan. We have made a recommendation to the lodges again that they shall invest any surplus funds that they may have on hand in these bonds. We believe, sir, that there is no better investment for the funds of the Grand Lodges or for individuals. Masonry has no place in the war as an institution, but we will assist to the extent that we can and go to the limit that is within the proprieties of Masonry.

We believe that we have arisen to the situation with reference to the war. We have placed ten thousand dollars at the disposal of the grand master and the Advisory Council to be used for the benefit of our membership who may be in want on foreign soil. We have also authorized a call to the lodges to subscribe to this fund to the extent of one dollar per capita, and should the craft of Illinois respond there will be about one hundred sixty thousand dollars added to that fund.

We have also recommended that the Grand Lodge of Illinois, through its Grand Master, enter into negotiations with the grand masters of other jurisdictions in order that they may unite in their effort to extend relief to our membership who are on foreign soil. We believe that it is the duty of Masons to look after their own, and I sincerely trust, sir, that when



FRANK O. LOWDEN

GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS

The first Honorary Member of the Grand Lodge of Illinois

the record is made Masonry will stand out brilliant, and as Masonry always has stood in the forefront of institutions of its kind.

I have related these facts to you, sir, in justification of my pursuit of you.

## GRAND ORATOR.

At the conclusion of Grand Master Wheeler's remarks, Brother Austin H. Scrogin announced the appointment of Governor Lowden as Grand Orator for the annual meeting of 1918.

## HONORARY MEMBER.

Brother Owen Scott suggested that Governor Frank O. Lowden be elected to honorary membership in this Grand Lodge. The Grand Master put the question and he was unanimously elected.

## RESOLUTION.

Brother Carlton Taylor offered the following resolution. It was adopted.

*Whereas,* Konstantine Lisetzky, a member of Silois Lodge No. 898, located at Silois, Illinois, has petitioned the Circuit Court of Rock Island County for permission to change his name to that of William Fox, and

*Whereas,* The said Court has granted permission to make the change as requested and the legal name of Konstantine Lisetzky is now William Fox; therefore be it

*Resolved,* That the secretary of Silois Lodge be instructed to change the name of Konstantine Lisetzky on the records of said lodge to William Fox.

## REPORT—Committee on Legislation.

The Committee on Legislation submitted the following amendment to Code 866, suggested in the Grand Master's report.

866. Trial commissions appointed by the grand master shall consist of three disinterested and experienced brethren, members of lodges in Illinois, residing outside the jurisdiction of the lodge interested excepting that in the city of Chicago such trial commission may be appointed by the grand master from brethren residing in the city of Chicago, not members of the trial lodge.

The Grand Master asked that it be acted on as provided in Code 86.

It was unanimously adopted.

## INVITATIONS.

Invitations were received during the meeting from the following lodges and read to the brethren by the Grand Secretary.

Ashlar Lodge No. 308.
St. Cecilia Lodge No. 865.
Bee Hive Lodge No. 909.
Garden City Lodge No. 141.
Golden Rule Lodge No. 726.

## AMENDMENT TO CODE.

The Committee on Legislation presented an amendment to Code No. 670. The amendment was seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges and lies over until next year.

670. No lodge should spend for refreshments or social entertainments in any Masonic year more than ten per centum of its gross annual income for such year, and the secretary of each lodge in his annual returns sent to the grand secretary should show the amount of his lodge's income and the total amount expended by the lodge in the year covered by such returns, for refreshments and social entertainments.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF MANAGERS.

Bro. Robert J. Daly, President of the Board of Managers of the Homes, reported favorably on the resolution introduced by Bro. Carlton Taylor in regard to suspending the rule of the Homes, so that Bro. Geo. W. Drain could be admitted. The report was adopted.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

The Grand Secretary called the roll and the Grand Master presented and introduced representatives or other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

They were accorded grand honors.

Chester E. Allen.....Alabama
Monroe C. Crawford.....Arizona
A. H. Serogin.....Arkansas
Jas. McCredie.....British Columbia
Sylvester O. Spring.....Canada
Dan G. Fitzgerrell.....Delaware
L. A. Goddard.....District of Columbia
A. E. Wood.....Georgia
W. B. Wright.....Indiana
Robert J. Daly.....Ireland
George M. Moulton.....Kansas
Godfred Langhenry.....Louisiana
Amos Pettibone.....Maine
Hugh R. Stewart.....Manitoba
M. B. Iott.....Maryland
Joseph E. Dyas.....Michigan
R. H. Wheeler.....Minnesota
Franklin S. Catlin.....Mississippi
George A. Stadler.....Missouri
E. Edwin Mills.....Montana
A. Jampolis.....Nebraska
John C. Weis.....New Brunswick
Henry E. Hamilton.....New Hampshire
Isaac Cutter.....New York
James A. Steele.....New Zealand
Robert C. Fletcher.....North Carolina
Roy K. Wheeler.....Nova Scotia
D. D. Darrah.....Oklahoma
Frank E. Locke.....Oregon
Seymour S. Borden.....Porto Rico
E. D. Brothers.....Prince Edward Island
Albert B. Wicker.....Rhode Island
Archibald Birse.....Scotland
Elmer E. Beach.....South Australia
Harry N. McFarlane.....South Dakota
H. W. Harvey.....Tasmania
Alexander H. Bell.....Tennessee
Owen Scott.....Utah
Jason R. Lewis.....Victoria
John F. Campbell.....West Virginia
David D. King.....Wisconsin

The Grand Master requested Bro. Leroy A. Goddard, representative of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, to respond for the brethren. Bro. Goddard spoke as follows.

*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:*

Speaking for these brothers before you, representing nearly every jurisdiction of the United States and of foreign countries with which we enjoy fraternal relations, I want to express sincere appreciation for this cordial reception.

It is not merely a pleasing incident but of important significance that in this eventful year of 1917, the 200th anniversary of the organization of the first grand lodge of ancient craft masons, that all these representatives bear testimony to the fraternal good will and brotherly love that is reciprocal and unbroken, between our jurisdictions.

Now confronting us is a situation that is fraught with more serious concern than was ever before known in the world's history. It is hard to realize that this Government of the United States has been forced into war. This is the one country that has tried to exemplify that "God hath made of one blood all the nations of men to dwell on all the face of the earth." In other words that this is God's world. Our doors have always been open to civilized people from everywhere, to come and live here if they choose, enjoy equal opportunities for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness under the protection of our flag. And now we are forced to fight "Not for glory, or for riches, or for honor, but for liberty alone, which no good man loses but with his life."

The time for theorizing and halting and speculating is past. This is the time when patriotism must assert itself. The call is upon us to put in practice that loyalty which we preach in all our Masonic teachings. Patriotism means more than an outward demonstration of enthusiasm for the flag; it is not all sufficient to stand uncovered when the Star Spangled Banner is being played, or when the colors are passing, although of course we show this reverence with patriotic pride. This is now the time that demands service and sacrifice for God, for country, and for humanity.

In this great struggle that righteousness may prevail and that future generations may live in peace, we can't all enlist but we can all do a part to equip, to protect, and to maintain those brave sons who are risking their lives for our protection, our homes, and our country. We must not permit those of them who survive to return to us in the humiliation of defeat, crushed in heart and broken in spirit because we failed in our duty. And it must be win or lose. There can be no compromise. If we lose, it will mean centuries of blood and iron rule, our homes will be devastated and ourselves enslaved. I would rather lay down life than to bow and worship the Kaiser.

Should Prussianism prevail, the constructive work for two hundred years, of the best men and the best brains of their times, would go to destruction and the foundation of the fatherhood of God and brotherhood of man on which Freemasonry has always built would be forever lost. Our doors could be tiled no longer. I have an abiding faith that the one hundred and sixty thousand Masons of Illinois, yes the million eight hundred thousand Craftsmen of the United States are going to stand as a unit for liberty and humanity against a Godless tyranny. Yes, and that our flag will never be hauled down at the dictation of a military autocracy.

Whether native or foreign born, no conscientious citizen of the United States can see other than one side in this struggle. To any one who has come to us from across the sea of his own choice, who has sworn allegiance to our government and to our flag, renouncing all others, claiming to be an American, I say if he loves any other country more than he loves the United States, he had better pack up and leave, and go where his heart is. And any native who, because of his hatred of some country allied with us, makes that an excuse for not being with us in this just cause, or in other words, if he hates any other country more than he loves the United States he is not a good enough American citizen.

Just one thought for a close. Whatever may be our environment our surroundings, or whatever influences we may have previously encountered, let it be emphasized with no uncertain sound, not as lip only language, but voiced from the heart, with all the emotions and with all the integrity of the soul, that there is no treason lurking within the breast of any of the members of this great loyal and patriotic Fraternity against the flag that gives us protection.

Many times while Brother Goddard was speaking he was interrupted by long continued applause and at the conclusion he was given an ovation.

Grand Master Wheeler said—

Bro. Goddard—I am surely satisfied that you have expressed the sentiments that were in the minds of all these brethren that you were selected to respond for.

## AMENDMENT TO CODE.

Bro. David D. King offered an amendment to the Code, by striking out No. 321. It was seconded by the representatives of more than 20 lodges and lies over until next year.

## CAMP GRANT.

Bro. Owen Scott spoke about the work of the Rockford Masons with the soldiers at Camp Grant.

Brother Scott: My speech will be a very brief one, brethren. I was present last night at the meeting of the Grand Lecturers' Association. At that meeting I heard detailed the work that is being done at Rockford at Camp Grant by Rockford Lodge No. 102. A statement was made by Brother John T. Buckbee and Brother Anderson, and I think this grand lodge ought to know the great things that these brethren and that lodge are doing for our boys, located at Camp Grant. They are spending their time and their money in doing everything they possibly can for the benefit and welfare of those young men—Masons in Camp Grant. I have no doubt at the other camps, Fort Sheridan, Great Lakes, Rantoul and Belleville—wherever our boys are located—local brethren are doing all that they can to help them in every way. At Rockford the lodge room has been turned over to them as a club room. They are in constant personal touch with every Mason that they know who is in the camp. If you have a boy there, if you know a young man in Rockford that is a Mason communicate that fact to Brother John T. Buckbee. Let him know the name of the boy that is there, if a Mason, what regiment he is in and they will take care of the rest.

I know the grand lodge as a grand lodge is making preparation for financial assistance in the care of the Masons in the camps. The grand lodge of Kentucky is providing for the comfort and convenience of many from southern Illinois. To Camp Dodge at Des Moines, Iowa, a very large portion of the central Illinois boys have gone. Iowa is caring for them. If we do our part at Camp Grant, at Rockford, and the other stations in Illinois the whole ground will be covered. I am not going to make any motion. I ask you as Masons if you can render any assistance to either of these places, that you exercise the high privilege of doing your part. If you have any money that you want to give personally send it to Brother Buckbee and it will be well expended in caring for the comfort and convenience of those boys that are training there. Help them that they may carry out the magnificent patriotism that was so eloquently put before you by Brother Goddard here a few moments ago.

The Masons of Illinois are greatly indebted to the local Masons at the various camps. Let us help them as much as we can.

I felt this ought to be stated from this platform here today so that you might know what our brethren are doing at Rockford. The real things in Masonry you saw here yesterday in those little children from the Home at La Grange. The very heart and soul of Masonry are bound up in these for whom we are caring so tenderly. Not only that but the essence of Ma-

sonry is also in the boys that wear the khaki, the uniform of their country. We must encourage them to go ahead and do the great work and make the great sacrifice to which their patriotic impulses impel them. Masonry and patriotism go hand in hand. A man cannot be a genuine Mason and be other than a patriot.

## GRAND OFFICERS.

The grand secretary read the list of elected and appointed grand officers.

Bro. Austin H. Scrogin.....*M.W. Grand Master*
Bro. Dan G. Fitzgerrell.....*R.W. Deputy Grand Master*
Bro. Elmer E. Beach.....*R.W. Senior Grand Warden*
Bro. Arthur E. Wood.....*R.W. Junior Grand Warden*
Bro. Leroy A. Goddard.....*R.W. Grand Treasurer*
Bro. Isaac Cutter.....*R.W. Grand Secretary*
Bev. Bro. Walter Aitken.....*R.W. Grand Chaplain*
Bro. Frank O. Lowden.....*R.W. Grand Orator*
Bro. Roy Adams.....*W. Deputy Grand Secretary*
Bro. Wm. Elmer Edwards.....*W. Grand Pursuivant*
Bro. William H. Bied.....*W. Grand Marshal*
Bro. William N. Ewing.....*W. Grand Standard Bearer*
Bro. Robert E. Gifford.....*W. Grand Sword Bearer*
Bro. Seymour S. Borden.....*W. Senior Grand Deacon*
Bro. Spruell C. D. Rea.....*W. Junior Grand Deacon*
Bro. H. S. Albin.....*W. Grand Steward*
Bro. Chas. F. Tenney.....*W. Grand Steward*
Bro. George W. Tipsword.....*W. Grand Steward*
Bro. Tim Van Antwerp.....*W. Grand Steward*
Bro. Chester S. Gurney.....*W. Grand Tyler*
Bro. James V. McCulloch.....*Assistant Grand Tyler*

## INSTALLATION.

Brother Ralph H. Wheeler, assisted by Bro. D. D. Darrah as grand marshal, installed the officers, except Brothers Aitken, Lowden, Edwards, Ewing and Tenney, who were absent.

Previous to the installation of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, the Grand Master announced that their bonds had been approved.

## THANKS.

Brother A. H. Bell moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler for the able and impartial manner in which he has conducted the affairs of his office. It was adopted unanimously.

## COMMITTEES.

The list of brethren comprising the committees were read by the Grand Secretary.

JURISPRUDENCE—
Monroe C. Crawford, Jonesboro, Chairman.
Owen Scott, Decatur.
George M. Moulton, Masonic Temple, Chicago.
William B. Wright, Effingham.
Chester E. Allen, Galesburg.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES—
Alexander H. Bell, Carlinville, Chairman.
Elmer D. Brothers, 39 S. La Salle St., Chicago.
Arthur M. Otman, Peoria.
Andrew Logan Anderson, Lincoln.
Charles H. Martin, Bridgeport.

CHARTERED LODGES—
Phil C. Barclay, Cairo, Chairman.
W. W. Watson, Barry.
Frank H. Bradley, Princeton, R. F. D.
John D. Charters, Ashton.
William E. Buehler, 62 E. Van Buren, Chicago.

LODGES, U. D.—
William H. Beckman, 631 Wrightwood Ave., Chicago, Chairman.
Emil J. Merki, 1327 Early Ave., Edgewater.
C. L. Sandusky, Danville.
F. O. Lorton, Auburn.
Harry L. Browning, East St. Louis.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—
William F. Beck, Olney, Chairman.
Henry T. Goddard, Mt. Carmel.
Thomas S. Browning, Benton.
Charles H. Thompson, Mt. Vernon.
Milton T. Booth, Atkinson.

FINANCE—

Edward H. Thomas, 2431 S. Lincoln St., Chicago, Chairman.
Thomas A. Stevens, 19 N. State St., Chicago.
E. Edwin Mills, 222 N. State St., Chicago.

NEW LEGISLATION—

Henry T. Burnap, Alton, Chairman.
Ralph H. Wheeler, 108 N. State St., Chicago.
James K. Lambert, 6435 Maryland Ave., Chicago.

CORRESPONDENCE—

Delmar D. Darrah, Bloomington.

GRAND EXAMINERS—

C. L. Gregory, Aledo, Chairman.
Richard C. Davenport, 309 E. Walnut, Harrisburg, Secretary.
David D. King, 3002 Lake Park Ave., Chicago.
George E. Carlson, 417 15th St., Moline.
William H. Zarley, 620 Fifth Ave., Joliet, Ill.

CREDENTIALS—

Emmett Howard, Quincy, Chairman.
C. N. Hambleton, Jeffersonville.
W. P. Jones, 312 W. Washington St., Champaign.
James A. Steele, Sullivan.
E. M. Crain, Augusta.

PETITIONS—

J. E. Jeffers, Arcola, Chairman.
William Schoenneshofer, Lostant.
C. O. Faught, Altamont.

OBITUARIES—

R. Keene Ryan, 5614 S. Green Ave., Chicago, Chairman.
John C. Weis, Peoria.
Hez G. Henry, Camp Point.

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT—

Charles H. Spilman, Edwardsville, Chairman.
George J. Kurzenknabe, 1901 Cullom Ave., Chicago.
William Fairlee, Jacksonville.

BOARD OF MANAGERS FOR MASONIC HOMES—

Robert J. Daly, 3214 Polk St., Chicago, President.
Louis L. Emmerson, Mt. Vernon.

Robert C. Fletcher, La Grange.
William D. Price, Harvester Bldg., Chicago.
Irving Shuman, Federal Bldg., Chicago.
Anthony Doherty, Clay City.
Austin H. Scrogin, Lexington, ex officio.
Dan G. Fitzgerrell, Normal, ex officio.

LIBRARIES—

Chas. W. Walduck, 3525 W. Adams St., Chicago, Chairman.
William A. Dixon, Sullivan.
Geo. L. Hilliker, La Grange.

COMMITTEE ON CLUBS—

Owen Scott, Decatur, Chairman.
Delmar D. Darrah, Bloomington.
Leroy A. Goddard, State Bank of Chicago, Chicago.
James McCredie, Aurora.
George W. McFatrich, Masonic Temple, Chicago.

ADVISORY COUNCIL—

Dan G. Fitzgerrell, Normal.
Elmer E. Beach, 111 W. Washington St., Chicago.
Arthur E. Wood, Gibson City.
Leroy A. Goddard, State Bank of Chicago, Chicago.
Isaac Cutter, Camp Point.
Owen Scott, Decatur.
Alexander H. Bell, Carlinville.
William H. Beckman, 69 W. Washington St., Chicago.
Edward H. Thomas, 2431 S. Lincoln St., Chicago.
Ralph H. Wheeler, 108 N. State St., Chicago.
Robert J. Daly, 2437 S. Robey St., Chicago.

READING CLERK—

Ralph H. Wheeler, 108 N. State St., Chicago.

## PRESENTATION OF JEWEL.

The retiring Grand Master, Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, was presented with a Past Grand Master's jewel by Bro. William B. Wright, Past Grand Master. Bro. Wheeler responded in a very pleasing manner.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The Grand Secretary read the list of District Deputy Grand Masters appointed. They will be found beginning on page 182 of the proceedings.

The minutes of Thursday were then read and approved.

## CLOSED.

At 12:30 o'clock no further business appearing, the Grand Master closed the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge in ample form.

GRAND LODGE OF A.F. & A.M. OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
FAITH HOPE AND CHARITY
A.L. 5840. A.D. 1840.

Austin H. Scrogin
GRAND MASTER.

ATTEST

Isaac Cutler
GRAND ESCRETARY.

M. W. Grand Master's Address,
Lexington.

# COMPLETE SUMMARY

*For 1917*

| | |
|---|---|
| Number Lodges working under Charter, | 858 |
| Number members June 30, 1916, - - | 148,055 |

INCREASE

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Number raised, - - | 11,690 | |
| Number affiliated, - - | 1,301 | |
| Number reinstated, - - | 410 | |
| Add for error, - - - | 75 | |
| Add members 11 lodges* | 1,069 | |
| Total, - - | | 14,545 |

DECREASE

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Number dimitted, - - | 2,340 | |
| Number suspended, - | 1,107 | |
| Number expelled, - - - | 22 | |
| Number of deaths, - - | 1,872 | |
| Loss by error, - - - | 51 | |
| | | 5,392 |
| Net gain, - - - - | | 9,153 |
| Number of members, June 30, 1917 | | 157,208 |

*Chartered in 1916. Not otherwise accounted for.

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## LIST OF LODGES BY DISTRICTS AND THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

### FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 33 | Oriental | Chicago | 29 W. Monroe St. |
| 526 | Covenant | Chicago | Central Masonic Temple |
| 765 | Palace | Chicago | Pullman |
| 819 | Columbian | Chicago | Millard Ave. and 23rd St. |
| 876 | William McKinley | Chicago | Auditorium Hall |
| 908 | Gil. W. Barnard | Chicago | 7439 Ingleside Ave. |
| 949 | Justice | Chicago | W. Chicago Masonic Temple |
| 981 | Trowel | Chicago | Monroe and Paulina Sts. |
| 1012 | Portage Park | Chicago | 4240 Irving Park Blvd. |

**Edward C. Mullen, The Elmwood, Oak Park**

### SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 81 | Vitruvius | Wheeling | Wheeling |
| 540 | Oak Park | Oak Park | Oak Park, Ill. |
| 767 | Triluminar | Chicago | 2939 91st St. |
| 832 | Harvey | Harvey | Harvey, Ill. |
| 878 | Equity | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 909 | Bee Hive | Chicago | Auditorium Hall |
| 954 | Progressive | Chicago | 3349 W. North Ave. |
| 982 | Sincerity | Chicago | Robey and Byron Sts. |
| 1003 | Fortitude | Chicago | |

**Joseph J. Shaw, 69 W. Washington St., Chicago**

### THIRD DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 141 | Garden City | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 610 | Union Park | Chicago | W. Chicago Masonic Temple |
| 768 | Mizpah | Chicago | 42nd and Halsted St. |
| 836 | Windsor Park | Chicago | 75th St. and Cole Ave. |
| 879 | Composite | Chicago | 4229 Cottage Grove Ave. |
| 913 | Aaron | Chicago | 1555 E. 63rd St. |
| 955 | Cicero | Cicero | Clyde |
| 983 | Glencoe | Glencoe | Glencoe |
| 1005 | Community | Chicago | |

**William Tinsley, 618 Wrightwood Ave., Chicago**

### FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 160 | Waubansia | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 611 | Lincoln Park | Chicago | 1500 N. Clark St. |
| 770 | LaGrange | LaGrange | LaGrange |
| 839 | Berwyn | Berwyn | Berwyn Masonic Hall |
| 880 | John B. Sherman | Chicago | 6319 S. Ashland Ave. |
| 914 | Republic | Chicago | Blackstone Ave. and 55th |
| 956 | Washington Park | Chicago | 51st and Michigan Ave. |
| 984 | Emblem | Chicago | Hyde Park Masonic Temple |
| 1006 | Fair Oaks | Oak Park | |

**Wm. W. M. Bending, 9714 Ewing Ave., Chicago**

## FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 209 | W. B. Warren | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 639 | Keystone | Chicago | 1500 N. Clark St. |
| 774 | Lake View | Chicago | Central Masonic Temple. |
| 841 | Woodlawn Park | Chicago | 64th St. and University Av. |
| 882 | Boulevard | Chicago | 42nd and Halsted Sts. |
| 915 | Jackson Park | Chicago | 1555 East 63rd St. |
| 957 | Prospect | Chicago | 23rd and Millard Ave. |
| 985 | Universal | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 1007 | Royal | Chicago | |

**T. M. Avery, 4550 Beacon St., Chicago**

## SIXTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 211 | Cleveland | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 642 | Apollo | Chicago | 3118 Forest Ave. |
| 776 | Grand Crossing | Chicago | Ingleside, near 75th St. |
| 842 | Fides | Chicago | 119th and Wallace |
| 887 | Pyramid | Hegewisch | Hegewisch |
| 916 | Welcome | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 958 | Prudence | Chicago | Central Masonic Temple |
| 986 | Brotherhood | Chicago | Dearborn St. and Walton Place |
| 1008 | Parkway | Chicago | |

**S. B. Harvey, 247 Home Ave., Oak Park**

## SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 271 | Blaney | Chicago | 912 LaSalle Ave. |
| 643 | D. C. Cregier | Chicago | 2403 W. North Ave. |
| 777 | Ravenswood | Chicago | Montrose & N. Hermitage. |
| 843 | Park | Chicago | N. Clark St. and Lunt Ave. |
| 888 | Damascus | Chicago | 64th St. and University Av. |
| 917 | Concord | Chicago | H. P. Masonic Temple |
| 961 | Federal | Chicago | Englewood Masonic Temple |
| 987 | Cyrene | Chicago | Woodlawn Masonic Temple. |
| 1009 | Hiram | Chicago | |

**Albert T. Thompson, 308 S. Sacramento Ave., Chicago**

## EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 308 | Ashlar | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 662 | South Park | Chicago | Blackstone Ave. and E. 55th. |
| 779 | Wright's Grove | Chicago | Clark St. and Belmont Ave. |
| 850 | Austin | Chicago | 241 North Central Ave. |
| 889 | America | Chicago | 29 W. Monroe St. |
| 921 | Avondale | Chicago | 3159 N. Kedzie Ave. |
| 962 | Ben Franklin | Chicago | 4240 Irving Park Blvd. |
| 988 | Park Ridge | Chicago | Park Ridge |
| 1010 | Honor | Chicago | |

**Welles W. LaMoure, Hotel Del Prado, Chicago**

## NINTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 310 | Dearborn | Chicago | 3120 Forest Ave. |
| 686 | Garfield | Chicago | California Ave. and Madison |
| 780 | Siloam | Chicago | W. Chicago Masonic Temple. |
| 851 | Chicago Heights | Chicago Heights. | Chicago Heights, Ill. |
| 890 | Desplaines | Desplaines | Desplaines |
| 922 | Compass | Chicago | Boulvard Hall, 5505 S. Halsted |
| 964 | Maplewood | Chicago | Diversey and California Av. |
| 989 | Hyde Park | Chicago | Fifty-first and Michigan Sts. |
| 1012 | Birchwood | Chicago | |

**Nels O. Johnson, 4903 N. Winchester Ave., Chicago**

## TENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 311 | Kilwinning | Chicago | Central Masonic Temple. |
| 690 | Englewood | Chicago | 6734 Wentworth Ave. |
| 784 | Beacon Light | Chicago | Norwood Park, Masonic H. |
| 854 | Brighton Park | Chicago | 2456 W. 38th St. |
| 891 | Logan Square | Chicago | 3117 Logan Blvd. |
| 923 | East Gate | Chicago | Masonic Temple. |
| 966 | Exemplar | Chicago | Masonic Temple. |
| 991 | Welfare | Chicago | Dearborn and Division Sts. |
| 1013 | John Paul Jones | | |

**D. S. Mellinger, 6729 Langley Ave., Chicago**

## ELEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 714 | Palatine | Palatine | Masonic Hall. |
| 697 | Richard Cole | Chicago | 2941 Archer Ave. |
| 789 | Auburn Park | Chicago | 79th and Lowe Ave. |
| 855 | King Oscar | Chicago | Auditorium Hall. |
| 892 | Constellation | Chicago | 3900 N. Robey. |
| 924 | Banner Blue | Chicago | Englewood Masonic Temple. |
| 968 | South Gate | Chicago. | Auburn Park Masonic Temple. |
| 992 | Niagara | Chicago. | Masonic Temple. |

**David S. Davidson, 7309 S. Racine Ave., Chicago**

## TWELFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 393 | Blair | Chicago | 29 W. Monroe St. |
| 711 | Providence | Jefferson | 5418 Gale St. |
| 795 | Myrtle | Chicago | 4240 Irving Park Blvd. |
| 860 | Metropolitan | Chicago | 4035 W. Madison St. |
| 894 | Utopia | Chicago | 9231 Cottage Grove Ave. |
| 926 | Veritas | Chicago | W. Chicago Mas. Temple. |
| 971 | Fernwood Park | Chicago. | 10243 Wallace St. |
| 993 | Leyden | Franklin Park. | Franklin Park. |

**William T. Mummery, 1850 Kenilworth Ave., Chicago**

## THIRTEENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 409 | Thos. J. Turner | Chicago | Auditorium Hall |
| 716 | Calumet | Blue Island | Blue Island, Ill. |
| 797 | Normal Park | Chicago | 6734 Wentworth Ave. |
| 862 | Riverside | Riverside | Riverside Town Hall |
| 895 | Crescent | Chicago | 51st and Michigan Ave. |
| 927 | Candida | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 972 | Rainbow | Chicago | 79th and Lowe Ave. |
| 994 | True Blue | Chicago | 3636 Armitage Ave. |

**S. F. Odell, 3634 S. Robey St., Chicago**

## FOURTEENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 411 | Hesperia | Chicago | 29 W. Monroe St. |
| 717 | Arcana | Chicago | W. Chicago Masonic Temple |
| 800 | Kenwood | Chicago | 4229 Cottage Grove Ave. |
| 863 | St. Andrews | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 896 | Kosmos | Chicago | 6319 S. Ashland |
| 931 | Wilmette | Willmette | Wilmette |
| 973 | Perseverance | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 995 | Lawndale | Chicago | 2300 S. Millard Ave. |

**Geo. E. Moore, 3809 W. Adams St., Chicago**

## FIFTEENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 422 | Landmark | Chicago | 4229 Cottage Grove Ave. |
| 726 | Golden Rule | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 804 | Kensington | Chicago | 11037 Michigan Ave. |
| 864 | Olympia | Chicago | 4229 Cottage Grove Ave. |
| 897 | Ogden Park | Chicago | 6319 S. Ashland Ave. |
| 937 | North Shore | Chicago | Wilson and Broadway |
| 974 | Albany Park | Chicago | Diversey and California Ave. |
| 996 | Sunrise | Chicago | Corinthian Hall, Masonic Tem. |

**Paul A. Neuffer, 851 Otis Bldg., Chicago**

## SIXTEENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 437 | Chicago | Chicago | Auditorium Hall |
| 731 | Harbor | Chicago | 2939 91st St. |
| 810 | Tracy | Tracy | Tracy |
| 865 | St. Cecelia | Chicago | Masonic Temple |
| 899 | Park Manor | Chicago | 69th and Wentworth Ave. |
| 938 | Circle | Oak Park | Circle Masonic Temple, Oak Park |
| 975 | Old Glory | Chicago | Austin Masonic Temple |
| 997 | Integrity | Chicago | 1710 Cornelia Ave. |

**Leslie W. Beebe, 125 S. Oak Park Ave., Chicago**

## SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 478 | Pleiades | Chicago | W. Chicago Masonic Temple |
| 739 | Lakeside | Chicago | 3120 Forest Ave |
| 813 | Humboldt Park | Chicago | 3638 Armitage |
| 869 | Maywood | Maywood | Maywood |
| 900 | Carnation | Chicago | 4229 Cottage Grove Ave |
| 943 | Bohemia | Chicago | W. Chicago Masonic Temple |
| **976** | **Melrose Abbey** | **Chicago** | **Monroe and Paulina** |
| 998 | Paul Revere | Chicago | 128 Wilson Ave |

**Albert C. McFarland, 1131 E. 62nd St., Chicago**

## EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 508 | Home | Chicago | 3120 Forest Ave |
| 751 | Lounsbury | Barrington | Barrington |
| 815 | Lawn | Chicago | Chicago Lawn |
| 873 | Standard | Chicago | Auditorium Hall |
| 901 | Edgewater | Chicago | 4737 Broadway |
| 944 | John Corson Smith | Chicago | W. Chicago Masonic Temple |
| **977** | **Parian** | **Chicago** | **64th and University Ave** |
| 999 | Morgan Park | Chicago | Morgan Park |

**A. M. Bassford, 11032 Esmond St., Chicago**

## NINETEENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 524 | Evans | Evanston | 810 Davis St |
| 758 | Mystic Star | Chicago | 6734 Wentworth Ave |
| 818 | Ben Hur | Chicago | 2408 W. North Ave |
| 875 | Cornerstone | Chicago | Central Masonic Temple |
| 907 | Ancient Craft | Chicago | 51st and Michigan Ave |
| 947 | Kenmore | Chicago | Terminal Hall, 1154 Wilson Ave |
| **978** | **Square** | **Chicago** | **1553 W. 69th St** |
| 1001 | Wayfarers | Evanston | 810 Davis St |

**H. H. Milnor, 516 N. Laramie Ave., Chicago**

## TWENTIETH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | Place of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 182 | Germania | Chicago | 1500 North Clark St |
| 277 | Accordia | Chicago | Halsted St. and North Ave. |
| 335 | Schiller | Peoria | Peoria |
| 410 | Mithra | Chicago | 1710-12 Cornelia Ave |
| 557 | Lessing | Chicago | 1500 N. Clark St |
| 656 | Mozart | Bloomington | Masonic Temple |
| 669 | Herder | Chicago | Monroe and Paulina |
| 674 | Waldeck | Chicago | 3120 Forest Ave |
| 783 | Constantia | Chicago | 19 W. Adams St |

**Louis Link, 1824 Blue Island Ave., Chicago**

## TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 78 | Waukegan | Waukegan | Lake |
| 115 | Rising Sun | Grayslake | Lake |
| 127 | Antioch | Millburn | Lake |
| 143 | Richmond | Richmond | McHenry |
| 158 | McHenry | McHenry | McHenry |
| 298 | Wauconda | Wauconda | Lake |
| 492 | Libertyville | Libertyville | Lake |
| 604 | Hebron | Hebron | McHenry |
| 676 | A. O. Fay | Highland Park | Lake |
| 827 | Sequolt | Antioch | Lake |

**C. J. Wightman, Grayslake**

## TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 63 | St. Mark's | Woodstock | McHenry |
| 117 | Elgin | Elgin | Kane |
| 138 | Marengo | Marengo | McHenry |
| 169 | Nunda | Crystal Lake | McHenry |
| 190 | Dundee | Dundee | Kane |
| 309 | Harvard | Harvard | McHenry |
| 358 | Orion | Union | McHenry |
| 522 | Monitor | Elgin | Kane |
| 575 | Capron | Capron | Boone |
| 960 | Algonquin | Algonquin | McHenry |

**A. J. Winteringham, Dundee**

## TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 60 | Belvidere | Belvidere | Boone |
| 74 | Rockton | Rockton | Winnebago |
| 75 | Roscoe | Roscoe | Winnebago |
| 102 | Rockford | Rockford | Winnebago |
| 145 | A. W. Rawson | Pecatonica | Winnebago |
| 166 | Star-in-the-East | Rockford | Winnebago |
| 173 | Cherry Valley | Cherry Valley | Winnebago |
| 302 | Durand | Durand | Winnebago |
| 414 | Evening Star | Davis | Stephenson |
| 633 | E. F. W. Ellis | Rockford | Winnebago |
| 745 | Winnebago | Winnebago | Winnebago |

**J. O. Anderson, Belvidere**

## TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 97 | Excelsior | Freeport | Stephenson |
| 170 | Evergreen | Freeport | Stephenson |
| 174 | Lena | Lena | Stephenson |
| 188 | Cyrus | Mt. Carroll | Carroll |
| 423 | Lanark | Lanark | Carroll |
| 490 | Shannon | Shannon | Carroll |
| 564 | Winslow | Winslow | Stephenson |
| 687 | Orangeville | Orangeville | Stephenson |
| 823 | Pearl | Pearl City | Stephenson |

**C. L. Snyder, Freeport**

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 36 | Kavanaugh | Elizabeth | Jo Daviess |
| 273 | Miners | Galena | Jo Daviess |
| 278 | Jo Daviess | Warren | Jo Daviess |
| 385 | Mississippi | Savanna | Carroll |
| 491 | Martin | East Dubuque | Jo Daviess |
| 554 | Plum River | Stockton | Jo Daviess |
| 859 | Apple River | Apple River | Jo Daviess |
| 905 | Hanover | Hanover | Jo Daviess |

J. H. Grimm, Galena

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 189 | Fulton City | Fulton | Whiteside |
| 293 | Prophetstown | Prophetstown | Whiteside |
| 321 | Dunlap | Morrison | Whiteside |
| 559 | Thomson | Thomson | Carroll |
| 566 | Albany | Albany | Whiteside |
| 655 | Yorktown | Tampico | Whiteside |
| 667 | Erie | Erie | Whiteside |
| 750 | Lyndon | Lyndon | Whiteside |
| 886 | Hooppole | Hooppole | Henry |

M. R. Nelson, Morrison

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 96 | Samuel H. Davis | Mt. Morris | Ogle |
| 187 | Mystic Tie | Polo | Ogle |
| 345 | Milledgeville | Milledgeville | Carroll |
| 420 | Oregon | Oregon | Ogle |
| 612 | Rock River | Sterling | Whiteside |
| 867 | Chadwick | Chadwick | Carroll |
| 936 | Rock Falls | Rock Falls | Whiteside |

R. W. E. Mitchell, Sterling

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 134 | Sycamore | Sycamore | De Kalb |
| 144 | De Kalb | Dekalb | De Kalb |
| 274 | Byron | Byron | Ogle |
| 288 | Genoa | Genoa | De Kalb |
| 402 | Kishwaukee | Kingston | De Kalb |
| 443 | Hampshire | Hampshire | Kane |
| 505 | Meridian Sun | Holcomb | Ogle |
| 857 | Boyd D. | Kirkland | De Kalb |

William C. Darling, Sycamore

## TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 48 | Unity | St. Charles | Kane |
| 139 | Geneva | Geneva | Kane |
| 269 | Wheaton | Wheaton | Dupage |
| 359 | Blackberry | Elburn | Kane |
| 472 | Amity | West Chicago | Dupage |
| 941 | Elmhurst | Elmhurst | Dupage |
| 942 | Maple Park | Maple Park | Kane |
| 950 | Glen Ellyn | Glen Ellyn | Dupage |

**E. F. Works, St. Charles**

## THIRTIETH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 65 | Euclid | Naperville | Dupage |
| 90 | Jerusalem Temple | Aurora | Kane |
| 254 | Aurora | Aurora | Kane |
| 301 | Hinckley | Hinckley | De Kalb |
| 404 | Batavia | Batavia | Kane |
| 428 | Sunbeam | Plano | Kendall |
| 824 | Grove | Downers Grove | Dupage |
| 934 | Hinsdale | Hinsdale | Dupage |

**W. Adolph Blessing, Aurora**

## THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | Friendship | Dixon | Lee |
| 146 | Lee Centre | Lee Centre | Lee |
| 178 | Illinois Central | Amboy | Lee |
| 244 | Horicon | Rochelle | Ogle |
| 264 | Franklin Grove | Franklin Grove | Lee |
| 320 | Creston | Creston | Ogle |
| 531 | Ashton | Ashton | Lee |
| 902 | Alto | Steward | Lee |

**B. L. Berve, Rochelle**

## THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 176 | Mendota | Mendota | La Salle |
| 183 | Meridan | Earlville | La Salle |
| 205 | Corinthian | Pawpaw | Lee |
| 282 | Brooklyn | Compton | Lee |
| 283 | Meteor | Sandwich | De Kalb |
| 349 | Sublette | Sublette | Lee |
| 374 | Shabbona | Shabbona | De Kalb |
| 558 | Leland | Leland | La Salle |
| 646 | Somonauk | Somonauk | De Kalb |
| 728 | Waterman | Waterman | De Kalb |

**Charles W. McCray, Mendota**

## THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 13 | St. John's | Peru | La Salle |
| 67 | Acacia | La Salle | La Salle |
| 103 | Magnolia | Magnolia | Putnam |
| 270 | Levi Lusk | Arlington | Bureau |
| 383 | La Moille | La Moille | Bureau |
| 722 | Walnut | Walnut | Bureau |
| 805 | S. M. Dalzell | Springvalley | Bureau |
| 814 | Ohio | Ohio | Bureau |
| 858 | Utica | Utica | La Salle |
| 951 | Depue | Depue | Bureau |

**William P. Grube, LaSalle**

## THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 142 | Ames | Sheffield | Bureau |
| 159 | Kewanee | Kewanee | Henry |
| 231 | Wyanet | Wyanet | Bureau |
| 399 | Buda | Buda | Bureau |
| 550 | Sharon | Tiskilwa | Bureau |
| 587 | Princeton | Princeton | Bureau |
| 803 | Neponset | Neponset | Bureau |
| 933 | Manlius | Manlius | Bureau |

**Thomas G. Gunning, Princeton**

## THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 57 | Trio | Rock Island | Rock Island |
| 92 | Stewart | Geneseo | Henry |
| 319 | Doric | Moline | Rock Island |
| 433 | Atkinson | Atkinson | Henry |
| 436 | Philo | Port Byron | Rock Island |
| 658 | Rock Island | Rock Island | Rock Island |
| 680 | Clement | Calono | Henry |
| 898 | Silvis | Silvis | Rock Island |
| 969 | East Moline | East Moline | Rock Island |

**Carlton G. Taylor, Rock Island**

## THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 49 | Cambridge | Cambridge | Henry |
| 69 | Eureka | Milan | Rock Island |
| 243 | Galva | Galva | Henry |
| 516 | Andalusia | Andalusia | Rock Island |
| 535 | Sherman | Orion | Henry |
| 547 | Valley | Coal Valley | Rock Island |
| 679 | Buffalo Prairie | Buffalo Prairie | Rock Island |
| 755 | Preemption | Preemption | Mercer |

**E. L. Marston, Reynolds**

## THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 59 | New Boston | New Boston | Mercer |
| 113 | Robert Burns | Keithsburg | Mercer |
| 123 | Oquawka | Oquawka | Henderson |
| 252 | Aledo | Aledo | Mercer |
| 367 | Oxford | New Windsor | Mercer |
| 502 | Woodhull | Woodhull | Henry |
| 577 | Viola | Viola | Mercer |
| 838 | Charity | Seaton | Mercer |
| 946 | Joy | Joy | Mercer |

**S. R. Amlong, Aledo**

## THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 37 | Monmouth | Monmouth | Warren |
| 193 | Herrick | Pontoosuc | Hancock |
| 235 | Dallas City | Dallas City | Hancock |
| 518 | Abraham Lincoln | Kirkwood | Warren |
| 685 | Rio | Rio | Knox |
| 702 | Alexandria | Alexis | Warren |
| 727 | Raritan | Raritan | Henderson |
| 732 | Carman | Carman | Henderson |
| 847 | Stronghurst | Stronghurst | Henderson |

**Ralph D. Tinkham, Kirkwood**

## THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 66 | Pacific | Knoxville | Knox |
| 155 | Alpha | Galesburg | Knox |
| 185 | Abingdon | Abingdon | Knox |
| 291 | Wataga | Wataga | Knox |
| 330 | Altona | Altona | Knox |
| 337 | Oneida | Oneida | Knox |
| 584 | Vesper | Galesburg | Knox |
| 793 | A. T. Darrah | Victoria | Knox |

**Chas. C. Sawyer, Altona**

## FORTIETH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 61 | Lacon | Lacon | Marshall |
| 93 | Toulon | Toulon | Stark |
| 119 | Henry | Henry | Marshall |
| 360 | Princeville | Princeville | Peoria |
| 415 | Lawn Ridge | Speer | Stark |
| 441 | Sparland | Sparland | Marshall |
| 479 | Wyoming | Wyoming | Stark |
| 501 | Stark | La Fayette | Stark |
| 514 | Bradford | Bradford | Stark |

**W. G. Dorsey, Lacon**

## FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 247 | Rob Morris | Minonk | Woodford |
| 294 | Pontiac | Pontiac | Livingston |
| 344 | Wenona | Wenona | Marshall |
| 364 | Tonica | Tonica | La Salle |
| 477 | Rutland | Rutland | La Salle |
| 552 | Long Point | Long Point | Livingston |
| 607 | Streator | Streator | La Salle |
| 868 | Cornell | Cornell | Livingston |
| 870 | Lostant | Lostant | La Salle |

**Charles E. Myers, Pontiac**

## FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 40 | Occidental | Ottawa | La Salle |
| 194 | Freedom | Freedom | La Salle |
| 303 | Raven | Oswego | Kendall |
| 323 | Orient | Lisbon | Kendall |
| 384 | Waltham | Waltham | La Salle |
| 397 | Shiloh | Troy Grove | La Salle |
| 471 | Kendall | Yorkville | Kendall |
| 555 | Humboldt | Ottawa | La Salle |
| 735 | Sheridan | Sheridan | La Salle |

**William Scales, Ottawa**

## FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 42 | Mt. Joliet | Joliet | Will |
| 124 | Cedar | Morris | Grundy |
| 175 | Matteson | Joliet | Will |
| 262 | Channahon | Channahon | Will |
| 417 | Marseilles | Marseilles | La Salle |
| 528 | Minooka | Minooka | Grundy |
| 532 | Seneca | Seneca | La Salle |
| 536 | Plainfield | Plainfield | Will |
| 538 | Lockport | Lockport | Will |

**Benj. J. Metzger, Joliet**

## FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 378 | Aroma | Waldron | Kankakee |
| 389 | Kankakee | Kankakee | Kankakee |
| 429 | Chebanse | Chebanse | Iroquois |
| 481 | Momence | Momence | Kankakee |
| 636 | Peotone | Peotone | Will |
| 688 | Clifton | Clifton | Iroquois |
| 763 | Crete | Crete | Will |
| 928 | Grant Park | Grant Park | Kankakee |

**W. R. Sanborn, Kankakee**

## FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 208 | Wilmington | Wilmington | Will |
| 371 | Livingston | Dwight | Livingston |
| 401 | Odell | Odell | Livingston |
| 573 | Gardner | Gardner | Grundy |
| 704 | Braidwood | Braidwood | Will |
| 757 | Verona | Verona | Grundy |
| 826 | Mazon | Mazon | Grundy |
| 919 | Elwood | Elwood | Will |

**Bruce T. Harley, Elwood**

## FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 168 | Milford | Milford | Iroquois |
| 446 | Watseka | Watseka | Iroquois |
| 506 | O. H. Miner | Iroquois | Iroquois |
| 527 | Rossville | Rossville | Vermilion |
| 609 | Sheldon | Sheldon | Iroquois |
| 709 | Star | Hoopeston | Vermilion |
| 782 | Potomac | Potomac | Vermilion |
| 845 | Martinton | Martinton | Iroquois |
| 952 | Donovan | Donovan | Iroquois |

**E. C. Vanderporten, Watseka**

## FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 305 | Onarga | Onarga | Iroquois |
| 316 | Abraham Jonas | Loda | Iroquois |
| 416 | Paxton | Paxton | Ford |
| 470 | Rantoul | Rantoul | Champaign |
| 574 | Pera | Ludlow | Champaign |
| 591 | Gilman | Gilman | Iroquois |
| 634 | Buckley | Buckley | Iroquois |
| 725 | Rankin | Rankin | Vermilion |

**Glen Robinson, Rantoul**

## FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 351 | Tarbolton | Fairbury | Livingston |
| 539 | Chatsworth | Chatsworth | Livingston |
| 608 | Piper | Piper City | Ford |
| 614 | Forrest | Forrest | Livingston |
| 631 | Norton | Caberry | Ford |
| 733 | Gibson | Gibson City | Ford |
| 738 | Saunemin | Saunemin | Livingston |
| 761 | Sibley | Sibley | Ford |
| 811 | Melvin | Melvin | Ford |

**Amos Ball, Gibson City**

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 15 | Peoria | Peoria | Peoria |
| 46 | Temple | Peoria | Peoria |
| 98 | Taylor | Washington | Tazewell |
| 222 | George Washington | Chillicothe | Peoria |
| 246 | El Paso | El Paso | Woodford |
| 263 | Illinois | Peoria | Peoria |
| 306 | William C. Hobbs | Eureka | Woodford |
| 421 | Washburn | Washburn | Woodford |
| 748 | Alta | Alta | Peoria |
| 930 | Joseph Robbins | Peoria | Peoria |

**Charles H. Ireland, Washburn**

FIFTIETH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 192 | Farmington | Farmington | Fulton |
| 350 | Fairview | Fairview | Fulton |
| 363 | Horeb | Elmwood | Peoria |
| 448 | Yates City | Yates City | Knox |
| 530 | Maquon | Maquon | Knox |
| 534 | Cuba | Cuba | Fulton |
| 734 | Morning Star | Canton | Fulton |
| 848 | London | London Mills | Fulton |

**B. L. Ten Eyck, Fairview**

FIFTY-FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 195 | La Harpe | La Harpe | Hancock |
| 233 | Blandinsville | Blandinsville | McDonough |
| 248 | Golden Gate | Prairie City | McDonough |
| 253 | Avon Harmony | Avon | Fulton |
| 307 | T. J. Pickett | Bushnell | McDonough |
| 519 | Roseville | Roseville | Warren |
| 617 | Good Hope | Good Hope | McDonough |
| 683 | Burnside | Burnside | Hancock |

**R. W. Harrod, Avon**

FIFTY-SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Bodley | Quincy | Adams |
| 39 | Herman | Quincy | Adams |
| 114 | Marcelline | Marcelline | Adams |
| 135 | Lima | Lima | Adams |
| 227 | Columbus | Columbus | Adams |
| 296 | Quincy | Quincy | Adams |
| 297 | Benjamin | Camp Point | Adams |
| 380 | Liberty | Liberty | Adams |
| 449 | Mendon | Mendon | Adams |
| 659 | Lambert | Quincy | Adams |
| 893 | Loraine | Loraine | Adams |

**Julius L. Klemme, Quincy**

## FIFTY-THIRD DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 20 | Hancock | Carthage | Hancock |
| 238 | Black Hawk | Hamilton | Hancock |
| 257 | Warsaw | Warsaw | Hancock |
| 267 | La Prairie | Golden | Adams |
| 295 | Dills | West Point | Hancock |
| 464 | Denver | Denver | Hancock |
| 486 | Bowen | Bowen | Hancock |
| 618 | Basco | Basco | Hancock |
| 715 | Elvaston | Elvaston | Hancock |

**E. L. Charpentier, West Point**

## FIFTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 17 | Macomb | Macomb | McDonough |
| 286 | Plymouth | Plymouth | Hancock |
| 318 | J. L. Anderson | Augusta | Hancock |
| 327 | Industry | Industry | McDonough |
| 465 | Huntsville | Huntsville | Schuyler |
| 496 | Colchester | Colchester | McDonough |
| 572 | Bardolph | Bardolph | McDonough |
| 648 | Camden | Camden | Schuyler |
| 766 | Littleton | Littleton | Schuyler |
| 935 | La Moine | Brooklyn | Schuyler |

**Peter Odenweller, Macomb**

## FIFTY-FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 9 | Rushville | Rushville | Schuyler |
| 23 | Cass | Beardstown | Cass |
| 88 | Havana | Havana | Mason |
| 100 | Astoria | Astoria | Fulton |
| 104 | Lewistown | Lewistown | Fulton |
| 116 | Vermont | Vermont | Fulton |
| 213 | Ipava | Ipava | Fulton |
| 939 | Table Grove | Table Grove | Fulton |

**Grier Hanson, Lewistown**

## FIFTY-SIXTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 29 | Pekin | Pekin | Tazewell |
| 106 | Lancaster | Glasford | Peoria |
| 126 | Empire | Pekin | Tazewell |
| 132 | Mackinaw | Mackinaw | Tazewell |
| 352 | Groveland | Morton | Tazewell |
| 462 | Tremont | Tremont | Tazewell |
| 476 | Manito | Manito | Mason |
| 742 | Danvers | Danvers | McLean |

**E. B. Sanborn, Pekin**

FIFTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 43 | Bloomington | Bloomington | McLean |
| 292 | Chenoa | Chenoa | McLean |
| 468 | Cheneys Grove | Saybrook | McLean |
| 482 | Lexington | Lexington | McLean |
| 512 | Wade Barney | Bloomington | McLean |
| 542 | Towanda | Towanda | McLean |
| 673 | Normal | Normal | McLean |
| 737 | Arrowsmith | Arrowsmith | McLean |
| 799 | Colfax | Colfax | McLean |

**J. Huber Allen, Bloomington**

FIFTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 220 | Mahomet | Mahomet | Champaign |
| 221 | Le Roy | Le Roy | McLean |
| 261 | Amon | Dewitt | DeWitt |
| 710 | Farmer City | Farmer City | DeWitt |
| 746 | Weldon | Weldon | DeWitt |
| 773 | Mansfield | Mansfield | Piatt |
| 801 | Sangamon | Fisher | Champaign |
| 812 | De Land | De Land | Piatt |
| 911 | Bellflower | Bellflower | McLean |

**S. M. Middleton, LeRoy**

FIFTY-NINTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 38 | Olive Branch | Danville | Vermilion |
| 154 | Russell | Georgetown | Vermilion |
| 265 | Vermillion | Indianola | Vermilion |
| 285 | Catlin | Catlin | Vermilion |
| 590 | Fairmount | Fairmount | Vermilion |
| 632 | Ridge Farm | Ridge Farm | Vermilion |
| 714 | Collison | Collison | Vermillion |
| 798 | Sidell | Sidell | Vermilion |
| 872 | Free Will | Oakwood | Vermilion |
| 980 | Anchor | Danville | Vermilion |

**G. Haven Stephens, Danville**

SIXTIETH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 157 | Urbana | Urbana | Champaign |
| 199 | Homer | Homer | Champaign |
| 240 | Western Star | Champaign | Champaign |
| 347 | Sidney | Sidney | Champaign |
| 391 | Tolono | Tolono | Champaign |
| 537 | J. R. Gorin | Sadorous | Champaign |
| 747 | Centennial | Philo | Champaign |
| 754 | Ogden | Ogden | Champaign |
| 970 | St. Joseph | St. Joseph | Champaign |

**Boyd S. Blaine, Champaign**

## SIXTY-FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | Macon | Decatur | Macon |
| 58 | Fraternal | Monticella | Piatt |
| 180 | Mowequa | Moweaqua | Shelby |
| 312 | Ionic | Decatur | Macon |
| 365 | Bement | Bement | Piatt |
| 467 | South Macon | Macon | Macon |
| 600 | Cerro Gordo | Cerro Gordo | Piatt |
| 871 | Argenta | Argenta | Macon |
| 965 | Cisco | Cisco | Piatt |
| 979 | Stephen Decatur | Decatur | Macon |

**George A. Stadler, Decatur**

## SIXTY-SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 84 | De Witt | Clinton | DeWitt |
| 251 | Heyworth | Heyworth | McLean |
| 431 | Summit | Harristown | Macon |
| 454 | Maroa | Maroa | Macon |
| 521 | Illiopolis | Illiopolis | Sangamon |
| 820 | Henderson | Kenney | DeWitt |
| 853 | Latham | Latham | Logan |
| 959 | Warrensburg | Warrensburg | Macon |

**Victor Dewein, Warrensburg**

## SIXTY-THIRD DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 87 | Mt. Pulaski | Mt. Pulaski | Logan |
| 165 | Atlanta | Atlanta | Logan |
| 172 | Wayne | Waynesville | DeWitt |
| 203 | Lavely | Williamsville | Sangamon |
| 210 | Logan | Lincoln | Logan |
| 469 | McLean | McLean | McLean |
| 582 | Shirley | Shirley | McLean |
| 808 | Cornland | Cornland | Logan |
| 903 | Elkhart | Elkhart | Logan |

**B. I. Pumpelly, Atlanta**

## SIXTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | Clinton | Petersburg | Menard |
| 156 | Delavan | Delavan | Tazewell |
| 403 | Mason City | Mason City | Mason |
| 622 | Hopedale | Hopedale | Tazewell |
| 641 | Comet | Minier | Tazewell |
| 645 | San Jose | San Jose | Mason |
| 653 | Greenview | Greenview | Menard |
| 741 | New Holland | New Holland | Logan |
| 929 | Ashland | Ashland | Cass |

**Harry M. Wood, Delavan**

## SIXTY-FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | Springfield | Springfield | Sangamon |
| 71 | Central | Springfield | Sangamon |
| 333 | Tyrian | Springfield | Sangamon |
| 500 | St. Paul | Springfield | Sangamon |
| 556 | Dawson | Dawson | Sangamon |
| 635 | Rochester | Rochester | Sangamon |
| 700 | Pleasant Plains | Pleasant Plains | Sangamon |
| 762 | VanMeter | Athens | Menard |
| 786 | Riverton Union | Riverton | Sangamon |
| 904 | Carlock | Mechanicsburg | Sangamon |
| 945 | Buffalo | Buffalo | Sangamon |

**Albert L. Pickel, Springfield**

## SIXTY-SIXTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | Harmony | Jacksonville | Morgan |
| 105 | Winchester | Winchester | Scott |
| 346 | N. D. Morse | Concord | Morgan |
| 382 | Gill | Lynnville | Morgan |
| 432 | Murrayville | Woodson | Morgan |
| 544 | Virginia | Virginia | Cass |
| 570 | Jacksonville | Jacksonville | Morgan |
| 724 | Chandlerville | Chandlerville | Cass |
| 1011 | Woodson | Woodson | Morgan |

**A. C. Metcalf, Jacksonville**

## SIXTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 44 | Hardin | Mt. Sterling | Brown |
| 52 | Benevolent | Meredosia | Morgan |
| 108 | Versailles | Versailles | Brown |
| 147 | Clayton | Clayton | Adams |
| 373 | Chambersburg | Chambersburg | Pike |
| 424 | Exeter | Exeter | Scott |
| 430 | Kendrick | Timewell | Brown |
| 846 | Bluffs | Bluffs | Scott |

**E. E. McCoy, Mt. Sterling**

## SIXTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 34 | Barry | Barry | Pike |
| 45 | Griggsville | Griggsville | Pike |
| 95 | Perry | Perry | Pike |
| 218 | New Salem | New Salem | Pike |
| 266 | Kingston | Fairweather | Adams |
| 353 | Kinderhook | Kinderhook | Pike |
| 379 | Payson | Payson | Adams |
| 529 | Adams | Plainville | Adams |
| 910 | Hull | Hull | Pike |
| 1000 | Baylis | Baylis | Pike |

**Everett Lawrence, Hull**

## SIXTY-NINTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 275 | Milton | Milton | Pike |
| 388 | El Dara | El Dara | Pike |
| 453 | New Hartford | New Hartford | Pike |
| 565 | Pleasant Hill | Pleasant Hill | Pike |
| 569 | Time | Time | Pike |
| 790 | Pittsfield | Pittsfield | Pike |
| 806 | Nebo | Nebo | Pike |
| 821 | New Canton | New Canton | Pike |
| 830 | Rockport | Rockport | Pike |
| 940 | Pleasant View | Pearl | Pike |

**Caston Clemons, Milton**

## SEVENTIETH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 80 | White Hall | White Hall | Greene |
| 118 | Waverly | Waverly | Morgan |
| 229 | Manchester | Manchester | Scott |
| 426 | Scottville | Scottville | Macoupin |
| 463 | Palmyra | Palmyra | Macoupin |
| 616 | Wadley | Franklin | Morgan |
| 796 | E. M. Husted | Roodhouse | Greene |
| 874 | Nifong | Modesto | Macoupin |

**A. E. Ellis, Whitehall**

## SEVENTY-FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 76 | Mt. Nebo | Carlinville | Macoupin |
| 161 | Virden | Virden | Macoupin |
| 171 | Girard | Girard | Macoupin |
| 354 | Ark and Anchor | Auburn | Sangamon |
| 450 | Loami | Loami | Sangamon |
| 523 | Chatham | Chatham | Sangamon |
| 675 | Pawnee | Pawnee | Sangamon |

**Charles W. Kessler, Pawnee**

## SEVENTY-SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 122 | Mound | Taylorville | Christian |
| 236 | Chartered Oak | Litchfield | Montgomery |
| 340 | Kedron | Mount Auburn | Christian |
| 517 | Litchfield | Litchfield | Montgomery |
| 585 | Fisher | Grove City | Christian |
| 647 | Blueville | Edinburg | Christian |
| 681 | Morrisonville | Morrisonville | Christian |
| 682 | Blue Mound | Blue Mound | Macon |
| 692 | Raymond | Raymond | Montgomery |

**A. A. Bauer, Blue Mound**

## SEVENTY-THIRD DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 148 | Bloomfield | Chrisman | Edgar |
| 332 | Tuscola | Tuscola | Douglas |
| 369 | Newman | Newman | Douglas |
| 440 | Camargo | Camargo | Douglas |
| 651 | Atwood | Atwood | Piatt |
| 743 | Scottland | Scottland | Edgar |
| 791 | Broadlands | Broadlands | Champaign |
| 829 | Edgar | Hume | Edgar |
| 885 | Villa Grove | Villa Grove | Douglas |

**M. E. Bigelow, Tuscola**

## SEVENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 77 | Prairie | Paris | Edgar |
| 219 | Oakland | Oakland | Coles |
| 228 | Lovington | Lovington | Moultrie |
| 268 | Paris | Paris | Edgar |
| 366 | Arcola | Arcola | Douglas |
| 408 | Stratton | Vermillion | Edgar |
| 825 | Arthur | Arthur | Douglas |
| 837 | Hindsboro | Hindsboro | Douglas |

**J. A. Shepherd, Jr., Paris**

## SEVENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 35 | Charleston | Charleston | Coles |
| 260 | Mattoon | Mattoon | Coles |
| 280 | Kansas | Kansas | Edgar |
| 322 | Windsor | Windsor | Shelby |
| 390 | Ashmore | Ashmore | Coles |
| 595 | Miles Hart | Gays | Moultrie |
| 764 | Sullivan | Sullivan | Moultrie |
| 884 | Bethany | Bethany | Moultrie |

**S. A. Wright, Ashmore**

## SEVENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 53 | Jackson | Shelbyville | Shelby |
| 226 | Pana | Pana | Christian |
| 392 | Oconee | Oconee | Shelby |
| 451 | Bromwell | Assumption | Christian |
| 493 | Tower Hill | Tower Hill | Shelby |
| 623 | Locust | Owaneco | Christian |
| 706 | Joppa | Cowden | Shelby |
| 831 | Findlay | Findlay | Shelby |

**L. A. Tripp, Assumption**

## SEVENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 129 | Greenfield | Greenfield | Greene |
| 151 | Bunker Hill | Bunker Hill | Macoupin |
| 152 | Fidelity | Medora | Macoupin |
| 212 | Shipman | Shipman | Macoupin |
| 214 | Gillispie | Gillesple | Macoupin |
| 249 | Hibbard | Brighton | Macoupin |
| 445 | Chesterfield | Chesterfield | Macoupin |
| 461 | Plainview | Plainview | Macoupin |

**F. W. Froelich, Brighton**

## SEVENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 50 | Carrollton | Carrollton | Greene |
| 197 | King Solomon | Kane | Greene |
| 341 | Full Moon | Grafton | Jersey |
| 394 | Jerseyville | Jerseyville | Jersey |
| 592 | Fieldon | Fieldon | Jersey |
| 792 | Calhoun | Harden | Calhoun |
| 856 | West Gate | Hamburg | Calhoun |

**Harry S. Daniels, Jerseyville**

## SEVENTY-NINTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 25 | Franklin | Alton | Madison |
| 27 | Piasa | Alton | Madison |
| 51 | Mount Moriah | Hillsboro | Montgomery |
| 99 | Edwardsville | Edwardsville | Madison |
| 177 | Staunton | Staunton | Macoupin |
| 406 | Bethalto | Bethalto | Madison |
| 455 | Irving | Irving | Montgomery |
| 456 | Nokomis | Nokomis | Montgomery |
| 475 | Walshville | Walshville | Montgomery |

**W. P. Wall, Staunton**

## EIGHTIETH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 16 | Temperance | Vandalia | Fayette |
| 255 | Donnellson | Donnellson | Montgomery |
| 405 | Ramsey | Ramsey | Fayette |
| 560 | Madison | New Douglas | Madison |
| 613 | Patoka | Patoka | Marion |
| 670 | Fillmore | Fillmore | Montgomery |
| 809 | Gillham | Mulberry Grove | Bond |
| 861 | Sorento | Sorento | Bond |
| 906 | Coffeen | Coffeen | Montgomery |
| 990 | Clover Leaf | Herrick | Shelby |

**N. C. Gochenour, Vandalia**

EIGHTY-FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 125 | Greenup | Greenup | Cumberland |
| 179 | Wabash | Etna | Coles |
| 279 | Neoga | Neoga | Cumberland |
| 396 | Muddy Point | Trilla | Coles |
| 541 | Stewardson | Stewardson | Shelby |
| 698 | Hutton | Diona | Cumberland |
| 788 | Lerna | Lerna | Coles |
| 834 | Toledo | Toledo | Cumberland |

**William M. Lovins, Toledo**

EIGHTY-SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 133 | Marshall | Marshall | Clark |
| 136 | Hutsonville | Hutsonville | Crawford |
| 313 | York | York | Clark |
| 442 | Casey | Casey | Clark |
| 580 | Hazel Dell | Hazel Dell | Cumberland |
| 603 | Clark | Martinsville | Clark |
| 620 | Newhope | Cohn | Clark |
| 666 | Crawford | Eaton | Crawford |

**John L. Whiteside, Marshall**

EIGHTY-THIRD-DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 149 | Effingham | Effingham | Effingham |
| 533 | Altamont | Altamont | Effingham |
| 578 | Prairie City | Montrose | Effingham |
| 602 | Watson | Watson | Effingham |
| 664 | Mayo | Winterrowd | Effingham |
| 665 | Beecher City | Beecher City | Effingham |
| 769 | St. Elmo | St. Elmo | Fayette |
| 883 | Wheeler | Wheeler | Jasper |

**David Wright, Effingham**

EIGHTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 245 | Greenville | Greenville | Bond |
| 355 | Marine | Marine | Madison |
| 473 | Gordon | Pocahontas | Bond |
| 504 | East St. Louis | East St. Louis | St. Clair |
| 583 | Highland | Highland | Madison |
| 588 | Troy | Troy | Madison |
| 712 | Collinsville | Collinsville | Madison |
| 835 | Triple | Granite City | Madison |
| 852 | Gothic | East St. Louis | St. Clair |
| 877 | Granite City | Granite City | Madison |

**E. S. McIntyre, East St. Louis**

## EIGHTY-FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 24 | St. Clair | Belleville | St. Clair |
| 55 | Washington | Nashville | Washington |
| 79 | Scott | Carlye | Clinton |
| 109 | Trenton | Trenton | Clinton |
| 110 | Lebanon | Lebanon | St. Clair |
| 342 | Summerfield | Summerfield | St. Clair |
| 361 | Douglas | Mascoutah | St. Clair |
| 418 | Freeburg | Freeburg | St. Clair |
| 576 | O'Fallon | O Fallon | St. Clair |

**Charles W. Dean, Carlyle**

## EIGHTY-SIXTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 130 | Marion | Salem | Marion |
| 153 | Clay | Ashley | Washington |
| 201 | Centralia | Centralia | Marion |
| 503 | Odin | Odin | Marion |
| 510 | J. D. Moody | Iuka | Marion |
| 721 | Rome | Dix | Jefferson |
| 932 | Sandoval | Sandoval | Marion |
| 948 | R. T. Casey | Kell | Marion |

**David B. Robertson, Centralia**

## EIGHTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 196 | Louisville | Louisville | Clay |
| 217 | Mason | Mason | Effingham |
| 398 | Kimundy | Kinmundy | Marion |
| 484 | Edgewood | Edgewood | Effingham |
| 485 | Xenia | Xenia | Clay |
| 601 | Farina | Farina | Fayette |
| 691 | Iola | Iola | Clay |

**Samuel B. Gwin, Farina**

## EIGHTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 216 | Newton | Newton | Jasper |
| 250 | Robinson | Robinson | Crawford |
| 348 | Flat Rock | Flat Rock | Crawford |
| 447 | S. D. Monroe | Birds | Lawrence |
| 489 | Cooper | Willow Hill | Jasper |
| 644 | Oblong City | Oblong | Crawford |
| 756 | Hardinville | Hardinville | Crawford |
| 849 | Palestine | Palestine | Crawford |

**F. I. Mills, Robinson**

EIGHTY-NINTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 14 | Warren | Shawneetown | Gallatin |
| 230 | New Haven | New Haven | Gallatin |
| 272 | Carmi | Carmi | White |
| 668 | Burnt Prairie | Burnt Prairie | White |
| 677 | Enfield | Enfield | White |
| 718 | May | Norris City | White |
| 723 | Omaha | Omaha | Gallatin |
| 816 | Ridgway | Ridgway | Gallatin |
| 920 | Cottonwood | Cottonwood | Gallatin |

**H. P. Blackard, Omaha**

NINETIETH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 164 | Edward Dobbins | Lawrenceville | Lawrence |
| 200 | Sheba | Grayville | White |
| 239 | Mount Carmel | Mount Carmel | Wabash |
| 334 | Sumner | Sumner | Lawrence |
| 356 | Hermitage | Albion | Edwards |
| 386 | Bridgeport | Bridgeport | Lawrence |
| 509 | Parkersburg | Parkersburg | Richland |
| 752 | Allendale | Allendale | Wabash |
| 866 | West Salem | West Salem | Edwards |
| 912 | Stellar | St. Francisville | Lawrence |

**Charles F. Stoll, Lawrenceville**

NINETY-FIRST DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 31 | Mt. Vernon | Mt. Vernon | Jefferson |
| 137 | Polk | McLeansboro | Hamilton |
| 368 | Jefferson | Opdyke | Jefferson |
| 630 | Tuscan | Walpole | Hamilton |
| 696 | Belle Rive | Belle Rive | Jefferson |
| 759 | Orel | Wayne City | Wayne |
| 963 | Broughton | Broughton | Hamilton |
| 967 | Dahlgren | Dahlgren | Hamilton |

**Wainwright Davis, Mt. Vernon**

NINETY-SECOND DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 72 | Chester | Chester | Randolph |
| 86 | Kaskaskia | Evansville | Randolph |
| 162 | Hope | Sparta | Randolph |
| 497 | Alma | Steeleville | Randolph |
| 427 | Red Bud | Red Bud | Randolph |
| 474 | Columbia | Columbia | Monroe |
| 787 | Morris | Waterloo | Monroe |
| 881 | Marissa | Marissa | St. Clair |

**Samuel E. Grigg, 224 N. Washington St., Sparta**

## NINETY-THIRD DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 85 | Mitchell | Pinckneyville | Perry |
| 207 | Tamaroa | Tamaroa | Perry |
| 234 | Du Quoin | Duquoin | Perry |
| 287 | De Soto | De Soto | Jackson |
| 695 | Shiloh Hill | Campbell Hill | Jackson |
| 744 | Goode | Valier | Franklin |
| 833 | Dean | Ava | Jackson |
| 1004 | Hurst | Hurst | Williamson |

**W. H. Thomas, Benton**

## NINETY-FOURTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 140 | Olney | Olney | Richland |
| 204 | Flora | Flora | Clay |
| 206 | Fairfield | Fairfield | Wayne |
| 331 | Mount Erie | Mt. Erie | Wayne |
| 362 | Noble | Noble | Richland |
| 460 | Jeffersonville | Jeffersonville | Wayne |
| 488 | Clay City | Clay City | Clay |
| 713 | Johnsonville | Johnsonville | Wayne |
| 925 | Molenna | Goldengate | Wayne |

**Thomas A. Doherty, Clay City**

## NINETY-FIFTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 64 | Benton | Benton | Franklin |
| 487 | Andrew Jackson | Corinth | Williamson |
| 567 | Frankfort | West Frankfort | Franklin |
| 693 | Herrin's Prairie | Herrin | Williamson |
| 705 | Ewing | Ewing | Franklin |
| 729 | Lake Creek | Johnston City | Williamson |
| 749 | Akin | Thompsonville | Franklin |
| 802 | Williamson | Carterville | Williamson |
| 807 | Royal | Macedonia | Franklin |
| 918 | Sesser | Sesser | Franklin |

**Joe P. Benson, Herrin**

## NINETY-SIXTH DISTRICT

| No | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 131 | Golconda | Golconda | Pope |
| 336 | New Columbia | Ganntown | Johnson |
| 419 | Reynoldsburg | Tunnel Hill | Johnson |
| 495 | Stone Fort | Stone Fort | Saline |
| 672 | Eddyville | Eddyville | Pope |
| 701 | Temple Hill | Temple Hill | Pope |
| 772 | New Burnside | New Burnside | Johnson |
| 778 | Gurney | Grantsburg | Johnson |
| 817 | Creal Springs | Creal Springs | Williamson |

**Sim V. Clannahan, Golconda**

NINETY-SEVENTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | Equality | Equality | Gallatin |
| 128 | Raleigh | Raleigh | Saline |
| 276 | Elizabeth | Elizabethtown | Hardin |
| 325 | Harrisburg | Harrisburg | Saline |
| 444 | Cave-in-Rock | Cave-in-Rock | Hardin |
| 458 | Blazing Star | Carriers Mills | Saline |
| 684 | Galatia | Galatia | Saline |
| 730 | Eldorado | Eldorado | Saline |
| 794 | Tadmor | Karbers Ridge | Hardin |

W. T. Cable, Harrisburg

NINETY-EIGHTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 89 | Fellowship | Marion | Williamson |
| 91 | Metropolis | Metropolis | Massac |
| 232 | Farmers | Brookport | Massac |
| 339 | Saline | Goreville | Johnson |
| 719 | Chapel Hill | Wolf Creek | Williamson |
| 771 | Bay City | Halmetsburg | Pope |

Roy Helm, Metropolis

NINETY-NINTH DISTRICT

| No | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 111 | Jonesboro | Jonesboro | Union |
| 241 | Shekinah | Carbondale | Jackson |
| 434 | Makanda | Makanda | Jackson |
| 466 | Cobden | Cobden | Union |
| 498 | Murphysboro | Murphysboro | Jackson |
| 520 | Anna | Anna | Union |
| 627 | Union | Lick Creek | Union |
| 657 | La Fayette | Grand Tower | Jackson |
| 840 | Alto Pass | Alto Pass | Union |

John Armstrong, Carbondale

ONE HUNDREDTH DISTRICT

| No. | Name. | Location. | County. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 47 | Caledonia | Pulaski | Pulaski |
| 150 | Vienna | Vienna | Johnson |
| 237 | Cairo | Cairo | Alexander |
| 562 | Trinity | Mound City | Pulaski |
| 581 | Dongola | Dongola | Union |
| 660 | Grand Chain | Grand Chain | Pulaski |
| 822 | Belknap | Belknap | Johnson |
| 953 | Stone Arch | Cypress | Johnson |

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| E. K. Bennington | Chicago<br>768 Oakwood Blvd. |
| James Cropper | Chicago Heights<br>315 W. 14th Pl. |

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| Marshall Ozment | Johnston City |
| Gordon Pillow | Johnston City |
| James Thomas Athey | Robinson |
| Martin Riley Jones | Villa Grove |
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| Emory Edwards | Riverton |
| Anthony Joseph Bernosky | Chicago<br>1839 W. 34th St. |
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| Fred Irving Mills | Robinson |
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| John Dixon Charters | Ashton |
| Edward John Cowling | Metropolis |
| George Zoller | Quincy |
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| John L. Whiteside | Marshall |
| Emil H. Kopp | Chicago<br>4046 N. Paulina St. |

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| E. R. Welch | Bunker Hill |
| Richard L. Eldredge | Bonfield |
| Harry L. Kelly | Elmwood |
| Paul Garfield Duncan | Quincy<br>1122 Maine St. |
| Herman L. Rose | Columbia |
| Arthur D. Pollock | Galesburg<br>306 E. Main St. |
| Jacob Schwartz | Chicago<br>557 E. 50th St. |
| Everett L. Lawrence | Hull |
| R. V. McKee | Washburn<br>R. R. No. 3 |
| Edmund Griffith George | Springfield<br>1405 S. 5th St. |
| Albert L. Pickel | Springfield<br>1613 S. 5th St. |
| Lauren W. Coe | Springfield<br>524 S. State. |
| Hal Carter McLoud | Springfield<br>913 S. 8th St. |
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| Ralph Reed Shay | Aurora<br>15 S. Lincoln Ave. |
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| Charles W. McCray | Mendota<br>210 S. 11th Ave. |
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| Hiram John Rutherford | Oakland |
| Charles Frederick Eichenaur | Quincy<br>720½ State St. |
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| Julius Gates Strawn | Jacksonville<br>1200 W. College Ave. |
| Albert Caldwell Metcalf | Jacksonville<br>425 E. State St. |
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| Chas. Bartholomew Ott | Chicago<br>2951 Logan Blvd. |
| Benjamin Seymour Bingham | Chicago<br>6124 Woodlawn Ave. |
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| Oscar Levi Carson | Chicago<br>6841 LaFayette Ave. |
| Leopold Apple | Chicago<br>5233 Indiana Ave. |
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| Isaac Jerome Grass | Chicago<br>325 E. 47th St. |
| Edwin Fred Works | St. Charles<br>94 Prairie St. |
| Wm. Butler Cochrane | Chicago<br>7751 S. Peoria St. |
| Wm. Henry Randall | Minooka<br>R. F. D. |
| Melville Henry Leighton | Chicago<br>4601 Beacon St. |
| Oliver Elijah Carpenter | Chicago<br>1237 Foster Ave. |

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| James Darragh | Chicago, 11319 Watt Ave. |
| Emanuel Weil | Chicago, 5833 Calumet Ave. |
| Ernest Lees Eckersall | Chicago, 7245 Champlain Ave. |
| Chas. C. Sawyer | Altona |
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| Bernard Remmer | Chicago, 5158 Union Ave. |
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| John Wesley Whalen | Robinson, 701 Jones St. |
| Joseph Albert Briegel | Chicago, 6227 Dorchester Ave. |
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| George Edwin Chamberlain | Decatur, 443 N. Edward St. |
| John Wesley Evans | Decatur, 617 Milliken Bldg. |
| Melancthon Luther Downey | Decatur, 261 Spring St. |
| Frank J. Mittan | Decatur, 118 N. Edward St. |
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| Oscar Jacob Chapman | Danville, 1226 Walnut St. |
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| Edw. W. Aplin | Chicago, 333 S. Clark St. |
| Albert James Dew | Chicago, 818 N. Robey St. |
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| Emil P. Wenger | Chicago, 3850 N. Avers Ave. |
| David Martin | Chicago, 7247 LaFayette Ave. |
| Oliver H. Clark | Homewood |
| Nathaniel Schooler | Chicago, 1037 N. Robey St. |
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| Carroll W. Norris | St. Charles |
| Judge Layton Dawson | Scotland |
| Glenn Robinson | Rantoul |
| Leslie W. Norton | Canton |
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| Robert E. Hale | Centralia |
| Otto Shatzkis | Chicago<br>3006 Armitage Ave. |
| Andrew J. Zimmerman | Peoria |
| James S. M. Wylie | Chicago<br>6643 Wentworth Ave. |
| Frank F. Tuverson | Chicago<br>6319 S. Mozart St. |
| Earl G. Beard | Chicago<br>2038 Iowa St. |
| Lyman N. Thurston | Chicago<br>6160 Michigan Ave. |
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| Arthur F. Johnson | Danville<br>840 Commercial St. |
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| Jacob Hirsch | Chicago<br>1908 Montrose Ave. |
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| Georgia | Frank F. Baker | Macon. |
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| Kentucky | Dave Jackson | Louisville. |
| Louisiana | John A. Davilla | New Orleans. |
| Maine | Charles B. Davis | Portland. |
| Manitoba | James A. Ovas | Winnipeg. |
| Marylaud | George Cook | Baltimore. |
| Massachusetts | Frederick W. Hamilton | Boston. |
| Michigan | Lou B. Winsor | Reed City. |
| Minnesota | John Fishel | St. Paul. |
| Mississippi | Frederic Gordon Speed. | Vicksburg. |
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| Nebraska | Francis E. White | Omaha. |
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| New Brunswick | J. Twining Hartt | St. John. |
| New Hampshire | Harry M. Cheney | Concord. |
| New Jersey | Robert H. McAdams | Elizabeth. |
| New Mexico | Alpheus A. Keen | Albuquerque. |
| New South Wales | Arthur H. Bray | Sydney. |
| New York | Edward M. L. Ehlers | New York. |
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| Quebec | Will H Whyte | Montreal. |
| Queensland | Chas. H. Harley | Brisbane. |
| Rhode Island | S. Penrose Williams | Providence. |
| Saskatchewan | W. B. Tate | Regina. |
| Scotland | David Reid | Edinburg. |
| South Australia | Chas. R. J. Glover | Adelaide. |
| South Carolina | O Frank Hart | Columbia |
| South Dakota | George A. Pettigrew | Sioux Falls. |
| Tasmania | John Hamilton | Hobart. |
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| Wyoming | J. M. Lowndes | Casper. |

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| Scotland | | |
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| South Dakota | | |
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| Vermont | | |
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| Washington | John H. Shaw | Spokane |
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| West Virginia | | |
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NOTE: All commissions expire Jan. 1, 1920.

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| New York | Isaac Cutter | Camp Point |
| New Zealand | James A. Steele | Sullivan |
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| Victoria | Jason R. Lewis | 431 So. Dearborn St., Chicago |
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| Washington | Wm D. Fullerton | Ottawa |
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# OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE.

ELECTED AT ITS FORMATION ON THE 6th OF APRIL, A.D. 1840, AND IN THE FOLLOWING OCTOBER OF THE SAME YEAR, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER TO THE PRESENT TIME.

| When elected | GRAND MASTERS. | D. G. MASTERS. | S. G. WARDENS. | J. G. WARDENS. | GRAND TREASURERS. | GRAND SECRETARIES. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1840 | *Abraham J nas .... | *James Adams..... | *W. S. Vance..... | *H. Rogers.. ... .... | *Alexander Dunlap.. | *Wm. B. Warren.... |
| 1840 | Abraham Jonas .... | James Adams..... | *Alexander Dunlap.. | *Harrison Dills..... | *Philip Coffman..... | Wm. B. Warren.... |
| 1841 | Abraham Jonas .... | *Meredith Helm ..... | Alexander Dunlap.. | Harrison Dills..... | Philip Coffman..... | Wm. B. Warren.... |
| 1842 | *Meredith Helm..... | *Alexander Dunlap.. | *Levi Lusk. .... .... | *Joseph N. Ralston.. | Philip Coffman..... | Wm. B. Warren .... |
| 1843 | *Alexander Dunlap.. | *Levi Lusk..... .... | *William Hodge..... | *Henry Prather..... | Philip Coffman..... | Wm. B. Warren.... |
| 1844 | *Levi Lusk..... | *Carding Jackson.... | *David Allen..... | *Nelson D. Morse..... | Philip Coffman..... | Wm. B. Warren.... |
| 1845 | *Rev. Wm. F. Walker | *Nelson D. Morse.... | *Edgar R. Bogardus. | *John R. Crandall... | *James L. Anderson | *Levi Lusk..... .. |
| 1846 | *Nelson D. Morse.... | *William Lavely..... | *John R. Crandall... | *Adam Brewer..... | James L. Anderson | Levi Lusk..... .... |
| 1847 | *William Lavely. .. | *John R. Crandall.. | *Joseph C. Ketchum | *Matthias Taylor..... | *Wm. McMurtry..... | *William Mitchell.. |
| 1848 | William Lavely.... | *Edward R. Roe..... | Joseph C. Ketchum. | *William C. Hobbs... | Wm. McMurtry..... | William Mitchell... |
| 1849 | *William C. Hobbs... | *John H. Holton..... | Joseph C. Ketchum. | *William E. Russell. | Wm. McMurtry..... | William Mitchell... |
| 1850 | *C. G. Y. Taylor..... | *Thomas J. Pickett.. | *Wm. W. Bennett.... | *Daniel C. McNeil.... | Wm. McMurtry..... | *Wm. B. Warren .... |
| 1851 | *Thomas J. Pickett.. | *Elias Hibbard ... | *Eli B. Ames ..... | *Carlton Drake..... | Wm. McMurtry..... | *Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1852 | *Eli B. Ames..... .... | *Benjamin L. Wiley | *Isaac R. Diller..... | *James L. Anderson | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1853 | *William B. Warren | *James L. Anderson. | *T. O. Wilson..... | *William H. Turner | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1854 | *James L. Anderson | *T. O. Wilson..... | *James H. Hibbard.. | *Elijah M. Haines.... | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1855 | *William B. Herrick | *James H. Hibbard.. | *Jerome R. Gorin.... | *William A. Dickey.. | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1856 | *James H. Hibbard.. | *Jas. V. Z. Blaney.... | *Harrison Dills..... | *Fergus M. Blair.... | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1857 | *Harrison Dills .... | *James H. Matheny.. | *Fergus M. Blair... | *A. J. Kuykendall ... | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1858 | *Ira A. W. Buck..... | *Fergus M. Blair .... | *A. J. Kuykendall ... | *Silas C. Toler..... | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1859 | Ira A. W. Buck..... | Fergus M. Blair .... | A. J. Kuykendall... | Silas C. Toler..... | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1860 | Ira A. W. Buck..... | Fergus M. Blair .... | A. J. Kuykendall.... | Silas C. Toler..... | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1861 | *F. M. Blair..... | *Silas C. Toler..... | *Asa W. Blakesley... | John C. Baker..... | Wm. McMurtry..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1862 | F. M. Blair..... | *John C. Baker..... | *Jerome R. Gorin.... | *James C. Luckey.. | *J. R. Mack..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1863 | *Thomas J. Turner.. | *Jerome R. Gorin.... | *H. P. H. Bromwell.. | *Edwin F. Babcock.. | *Harrison Dills..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1864 | Thomas J. Turner.. | *H. P. H. Bromwell.. | Edwin F. Babcock.. | *Nathan W. Huntley | Harrison Dills..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1865 | *H. P. H. Bromwell.. | *Jerome R. Gorin.... | *Nathan W Huntley | *Charles Fisher..... | Harrison Dills ..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1866 | *Jerome R. Gorin.... | *Nathan W. Huntley | *Charles Fisher ..... | *Horace Hayward.. | Harrison Dills..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1867 | Jerome R. Gorin.... | *Charles Fisher ..... | *DeWitt C. Cregier.. | *James A. Hawley... | Harrison Dills..... | Harmon G. Reynolds |
| 1868 | *Harmon G. Reynolds | *DeWitt C. Cregier... | *James A. Hawley... | *Geo. E. Lounsbury . | Harrison Dills ..... | *Orlin H. Miner..... |
| 1869 | Harmon G. Reynolds | DeWitt C. Cregier... | James A. Hawley... | Geo. E. Lounsbury . | Harrison Dills ..... | Orlin H. Miner..... |
| 1870 | *DeWitt C. Cregier.. | *James A. Hawley... | *Geo. E. Lounsbury . | *James C. Luckey... | Harrison Dills ..... | Orlin H. Miner..... |

*Deceased.

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| 1871 | DeWitt C. Cregier.. | James A. Hawley.. | Geo. E. Lounsbury | *Joseph Robbins..... | Harrison Dills ..... | Orlin H. Miner..... |
| 1872 | *James A. Hawley... | *Geo. E. Lounsbury . | *Joseph Robbins..... | *Wm. J. A. DeLancey | Harrison Dills ..... | Orlin H. Miner..... |
| 1873 | James A. Hawley.. | Geo. E. Lounsbury . | Joseph Robbins..... | Wm. J. A. DeLancey | Harrison Dills ..... | †John F. Burrill ..... |
| 1874 | *Geo. E. Lounsbury . | *Joseph Robbins... | *Wm. J. A. DeLancey | Henry E. Hamilton. | Harrison Dills ..... | John F. Burrill ..... |
| 1875 | Geo. E. Lounsbury . | Joseph Robbins. ... | Wm. J. A. DeLancey | Henry E. Hamilton. | Harrison Dills ..... | John F. Burrill ..... |
| 1876 | *Joseph Robbins..... | *Wm. J. A. DeLancey | Henry E. Hamilton. | *William H. Scott.... | *Archibald A. Glenn. | John F. Burrill ... . |
| 1877 | Joseph Robbins..... | Wm. J. A. DeLancey | Henry E. Hamilton. | William H. Scott.... | Archibald A. Glenn. | John F. Burrill ..... |
| 1878 | *Theodore T. Gurney | *William H. Scott.... | *Louis Ziegler..... | *Daniel M. Browning. | *Orlin H. Miner..... | John F. Burrill ..... |
| 1879 | Theodore T. Gurney | William H. Scott ... | *Daniel M. Browning. | *John R. Thomas ... | Orlin H. Miner..... | John F. Burrill ..... |
| 1880 | *William H. Scott.... | *Daniel M. Browning. | *John R. Thomas .... | *Henry C. Cleaveland | *Wiley M. Egan..... | John F. Burrill ..... |
| 1881 | William H. Scott.... | Daniel M. Browning. | John R. Thomas .... | Henry C. Cleaveland | Wiley M. Egan. .... | *Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1882 | *Daniel M. Browning. | *John R. Thomas .... | *Henry C. Cleaveland | *Alex. T. Darrah..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1883 | Daniel M. Browning. | John R. Thomas .... | *Alex. T. Darrah..... | *John C. Smith..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1884 | *John R. Thomas .... | *Alex. T. Darrah..... | John C. Smith..... | John M. Pearson.... | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1885 | *Alex. T. Darrah..... | *John C. Smith..... | *John M. Pearson.... | Monroe C. Crawford | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1886 | Alex. T. Darrah..... | John C. Smith..... | John M. Pearson.... | Monroe C. Crawford | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1887 | *John C. Smith..... | *John M. Pearson.... | Monroe C. Crawford | Leroy A. Goddard . | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1888 | John C. Smith..... | John M. Pearson.... | Monroe C. Crawford | Leroy A. Goddard.. | Wiley M. Egan.. . | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1889 | *John M. Pearson.... | Monroe C. Crawford | Leroy A. Goddard.. | Owen Scott..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1890 | John M. Pearson. .. | Monroe C. Crawford | Leroy A. Goddard.. | Owen Scott..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1891 | Monroe C. Crawford | Leroy A. Goddard... | Owen Scott..... | *Edward Cook..... | Wiley M.Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1892 | Monroe C. Crawford | Leroy A. Goddard... | Owen Scott..... | Edward Cook..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | Loyal L. Munn..... |
| 1893 | Leroy A. Goddard .. | Owen Scott..... | *Edward Cook..... | *C. F. Hitchcock..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | *J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1894 | Leroy A. Goddard .. | Owen Scott..... | Edward Cook..... | C. F. Hitchcock..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1895 | Owen Scott..... | *Edward Cook ..... | *C. F. Hitchcock..... | Geo. M. Moulton.... | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1896 | Owen Scott..... | Edward Cook ..... | C. F. Hitchcock..... | Geo. M. Moulton.... | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill ..... |
| 1897 | *Edward Cook ..... | *C. F. Hitchcock..... | Geo. M. Moulton.... | Wm. B. Wright..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1898 | Edward Cook..... | C. F. Hitchcock ..... | Geo. M. Moulton..... | Wm. B. Wright..... | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1899 | *Chas. F. Hitchcock. | Geo. M. Moulton.... | Wm. B. Wright..... | Chester E. Allen ... | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1900 | Chas. F. Hitchcock. | Geo. M. Moulton.... | Wm. B. Wright..... | Chester E. Allen.... | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1901 | Geo. M. Moulton ... | Wm. B. Wright..... | Chester E. Allen ... | Alexander H. Bell.. | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1902 | Geo. M. Moulton.... | Wm. B. Wright..... | Chester E. Allen ... | Alexander H. Bell.. | Wiley M. Egan..... | J. H. C. Dill ..... |
| 1903 | Wm. B. Wright..... | Chester E. Allen.... | Alexander H. Bell.. | A. B. Ashley..... | Leroy A. Goddard... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1904 | Wm. B. Wright..... | Chester E. Allen.... | Alexander H. Bell.. | A. B. Ashley..... | Leroy A. Goddard... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1905 | Chester E. Allen.... | Alexander H. Bell.. | A. B. Ashley. .. .... | D. D. Darrah..... | Leroy A. Goddard... | J. H. C. Dill..... |
| 1906 | Chester E. Allen.... | Alexander H. Bell.. | A. B. Ashley..... | D. D. Darrah..... | Leroy A. Goddard... | Isaac Cutter..... |
| 1907 | Alexander H. Bell.. | A. B. Ashley ..... | D. D. Darrah..... | H. T. Burnap ..... | Leroy A. Goddard... | Isaac Cutter ..... |
| 1908 | Alexander H. Bell.. | A. B. Ashley... ..... | D. D. Darrah ..... | H. T. Burnap..... | Leroy A. Goddard .. | Isaac Cutter ..... |
| 1909 | *A. B. Ashley..... | D. D. Darrah ..... | H. T. Burnap..... | Ralph H. Wheeler.. | Leroy A. Goddard .. | Isaac Cutter ..... |
| 1910 | A. B. Ashley.. .... . | D. D. Darrah..... | H. T. Burnap.... ... | Ralph H. Wheeler . | Leroy A. Goddard .. | Isaac Cutter ..... |
| 1911 | D. D. Darrah..... | H. T. Burnap..... | Ralph H. Wheeler.. | A. H. Scrogin..... | Leroy A. Goddard.. | Isaac Cutter ..... |
| 1912 | D. D. Darrah..... | H. T. Burnap..... | Ralph H. Wheeler.. | A. H. Scrogin ..... | Leroy A. Goddard... | Isaac Cutter..... |
| 1913 | Henry T. Burnap... | Ralph H. Wheeler.. | Austin H. Scrogin.. | Dan G. Fitzgerrell.. | Leroy A. Goddard... | Isaac Cutter ..... |
| 1914 | Henry T. Burnap... | Ralph H. Wheeler.. | Austin H. Scrogin.. | Dan G. Fitzgerrell.. | Leroy A. Goddard. . | Isaac Cutter... ... |
| 1915 | Ralph H. Wheeler.. | Austin H. Scrogin... | Dan. G. Fitzgerrell. | Elmer E. Beach..... | Leroy A. Goddard .. | Isaac Cutter ..... |
| 1916 | Ralph H. Wheeler.. | Austin H. Scrogin... | Dan G. Fitzgerrell.. | Elmer E. Beach .... | Leroy A. Goddard... | Isaac Cutter..... |
| 1917 | Austin H. Scrogin.. | Dan G. Fitzgerrell.. | Elmer E. Beach.. ... | Arthur E. Wood.... | Leroy A. Goddard.. | Isaac Cutter..... |

*Deceased.

†Expelled.

## APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS.

| | GRAND CHAPLAIN. | GRAND ORATOR. | DEPUTY GRAND SECY. | GRAND PURSUIVANT. | W. GRAND MARSHAL. | GRAND STANDARD BEARER. | GRAND SWORD BEARER. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1840 | Rev. H. W. Osborn* | S. A. Douglas* | W. D. McCann* | John Gregory* | S. W. Lucas* | L. Griffing* | |
| 1841 | F. A. McNeill* | James Shields* | W. D. McCann | John Gregory | A. C. Dixon* | M. Doyle* | |
| 1842 | F. A. McNeill | J. H. Matheny* | Edward Jones* | John Gregory | A. C. Dixon | J. P. Swisler* | |
| 1843 | G. A. Patterson* | H. S. Cooley* | Adam Dunlap* | S. W. Lucas* | P. Underwood* | J. P. Swisler | |
| 1844 | Rev. Chas. Howard* | R. E. Smith* | Adam Dunlap | A. V. Putman | Mathew Stacy* | William Lavely* | |
| 1845 | Rev. Chas. V. Kelly* | William Stuart* | Chas. H. Larrabee* | R. F. Kippingburg* | John H. Holton* | | William Ervin* |
| 1846 | Rev. Chas. V. Kelly | Rev. Wm. F. Walker* | James Price* | Arnold R. Robinson* | William McMurtry.* | | Peter Sweat* |
| 1847 | Rev. N. P. Heath* | E. R Roe* | | Webb C. Quigley* | Peter Surat* | | John H. Holton* |
| 1848 | Rev. Chas. Howard* | George Davis* | R. W. Diller | William E. Russell* | H. G. Reynolds* | | Clark B. Stebbins* |
| 1849 | Rev. Brax'n Parish* | A. D. Caldwell* | | Clark B. Stebbins* | Nathan English* | | W. H. L. Wallace* |
| 1850 | Rev. J. T. Worth'g'n* | J. T. Lindsay* | | R. W. Scanland* | George W. Hotchkiss* | | J. M. Scott* |
| 1851 | Rev. Chas. Howard* | George T. Brown* | Silas Ramsey* | W. W. Drummond* | Isaac R. Diller* | | J. W. Smith* |
| 1852 | Rev. R. E. Guthrie* | John Dean Caton* | John S. Winter* | J. W. Smith* | Amos Hill* | | J. P. Waterhouse* |
| 1853 | Rev. W. E. Johnson* | Charles E. Dodge* | Jacob W. Brewer* | Stephen Bennett* | James Price* | | Wm. Kinman* |
| 1854 | Rev. J. H. Hughes* | Isaac R. Diller* | Jacob W. Brewer | McKinzie Turner* | Cyrus C. Palmer* | | Jonathan Young* |
| 1855 | Rev. J. H. Hughes | Isaac R. Diller | John S. Winter | J. C. McMurtry* | A. J. Kuykendall* | | Robert Keith* |
| 1856 | Rev. Danl. P. Bunn* | James H. Matheny* | P. A. Whitaker* | E. J. Higgins* | A. J. Kuykendall | | G. D. Moody* |
| 1857 | Rev. L. P. Clover* | J. M. Palmer* | | E. J. Higgins | E. A. Whipple* | Robert Keith* | Daniel Frost* |
| 1858 | Rev. L. P. Clover | Abraham Jonas* | Benj. F. Barry* | C. C. Sympson* | George R. McGregor* | Phares A. Dorwin* | Lewis Keyon* |
| 1859 | Rev. N. W. Miner* | Stephen A. Hurlbut* | John S. Winter | C. C. Sympson | Reuben Cleveland* | H. A. Chase* | Robert Gibson* |
| 1860 | Rev. Jas. L. Crane* | Ely S. Parker* | James Steele* | N. W. Chapman* | David B. Irons* | Michael Grant* | John C. Baker |
| 1861 | Rev. Jas. L. Crane | H. P. H. Bromwell* | L. W. Shepherd* | D. D. Irons* | Reuben Cleveland* | M. Grant* | Caleb Finch* |
| 1862 | Rev. N. E. Cobleigh* | H. P. H. Bromwell | L. W. Shepherd | D. W. Zink* | J. M. Pearson* | J. W. Banker* | G. W. Albin* |
| 1863 | Rev. R. G. Hamilton* | Allen C. Fuller* | John C. Reynolds* | Chas. T. Pace* | James N. Buford* | Daniel G. Burr* | C. L. Underwood* |
| 1864 | Rev. J. T. Orr* | Vincent Ridgely | John C. Reynolds | Chas. T. Pace | James Lowe* | Daniel Frost* | Daniel G. Burr* |
| 1865 | Rev. J. T. Orr | M. W. Willis* | John C. Reynolds | Alonzo Ransom* | J. F. Alexander* | S. B. Dugger* | Daniel Frost |
| 1866 | Rev. O. H. Tiffany* | J. I. Davidson* | John C. Reynolds | Chas. Spalding* | Samuel B. Dugger* | J. M. Samson* | Jay G. Callender* |
| 1867 | Rev. D. P. Bunn* | Newton Bateman* | John C. Reynolds | Chas. Spalding | John G. Bagby* | I. S. Blackwelder* | Jay G. Callender |
| 1868 | Rev. D. P. Bunn | Joseph Robbins* | | George W. Staley* | Geo. W. Hartman* | I. E. Hardy* | S. C. Buckman* |
| 1869 | Rev. J. I. Davidson* | H. P. H. Bromwell* | John C. Reynolds | Geo. H. Raymond* | John W. Ross* | Elijah E. Myers‡ | John Evans* |
| 1870 | Rev. Jno. W. Agard* | John M. Scott.* | John C. Reynolds | Thos. J. Whitehead* | John F. Burrill† | Isaac E. Hardy | Wm. H. Eastman* |
| 1871 | Rev. Jno. W. Agard | Jerome R. Gorin* | John F. Burrill† | Wm. H. Eastman* | Thos. J. Whitehead | Henry W. Dyer | Isaac E. Hardy* |
| 1872 | Rev. Jno. W. Agard | T. T. Gurney* | John F. Burrill | H. W. Dyer | W. H. Long | Isaac E. Hardy | Wm. E. Ginther* |
| 1873 | W. H. Scott | John Dougherty* | Frank Hudson, Jr. | Thomas C. Clark | Harry Duvall | Wm. H. Long | Wm. E. Ginther |
| 1874 | W. H. Scott | C. H. Patton* | Frank Hudson, Jr. | E. P. Chatfield | A. H. Irvin | Wm. E. Ginther* | Wm. H. Long |
| 1875 | George W. Martin | George M. McConnell | Frank Hudson, Jr. | John A. Ladd* | Alexander H. Irvin* | Robert Richards | George W. Cyrus |
| 1876 | George W. Martin | R. S. Dement* | Frank Hudson, Jr. | John P. Norvell* | John A. Ladd* | Geo. W. Cyrus | John R. Thomas |
| 1877 | George W. Martin | Alfred Sample* | Frank Hudson, Jr. | John P. Norvell | John A. Ladd | John R. Thomas | Robt. L. McKinlay. |
| 1878 | George W. Martin | John R. Thomas | Frank Hudson, Jr. | John P. Norvell | Henry C. Cleveland* | Loyal L. Munn* | Samuel Rawson |
| 1879 | George W. Martin | John P. Norvell* | Frank Hudson, Jr. | Chas. M. Carter | Henry C. Cleveland | Loyal L. Munn | Daniel Brewster |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1880 | John D. Gillham | W. H. Williamson | Frank Hudson, Jr. | Chas. M. Carter | James C. McMurtry* | Owen Scott | Thomas Moore |
| 1881 | John D. Gillham | Owen Scott | Leslie A. Munn | Chas. M. Carter | James C. McMurtry | John C. Bagby | F. A. Halliday |
| 1882 | John D. Gillham | William J. Allen | Leslie A. Munn | Thos. S. Mather* | James C. McMurtry | John C. Bagby | F. A. Halliday |
| 1883 | John D. Gillham | F. M. Youngblood | Leslie A. Munn | Thos. S. Mather | James C. McMurtry | John C. Bagby | John W. Thrift |
| 1884 | Geo. W. Scawthon | W. S. Hooper | Leslie A. Munn | Eugene L. Stoker* | Jas. C. McMurtry | Rowley Page* | B. Mendenhall* |
| 1885 | Geo. W. Scawthon | Isaac Clements | Leslie A. Munn | Edw. L. Cronkrite | Rowley Page* | W. H. Curtin* | J. H. C. Dill* |
| 1886 | H. W. Thomas* | W. S. Hooper | D. B. Breed | Edw. L. Cronkrite | Rowley Page | W. H. Curtin | J. H. C. Dill |
| 1887 | H. W. Thomas | W. J. Calhoun | Leslie A. Munn | B. F. Mason | W. A. Stevens | Rowley Page* | J. O. Hughes* |
| 1888 | H. W. Thomas | Geo C. Lorimer* | Leslie A. Munn | B. F. Mason | W. A. Stevens | R. S. Gordon | E. A. Kratz |
| 1889 | F. M. Springer* | A. T. Wolf | George L. Munn | B. F. Mason | R. S. Gordon | N. E. Roberts | J. G. Marston |
| 1890 | F. M. Springer | W. J. Calhoun | George L. Munn | B. F. Mason | R. S Gordon | N. E. Roberts | J. G. Marston |
| 1891 | F. P Davenport | Wm. W. Barr | Loyal L. Munn, Jr. | B. F. Mason | R. S. Gordon | N. E. Roberts | J. G. Marston |
| 1892 | Ulysses G. Johnson | Geo. W. Warvelle | Loyal L. Munn, Jr. | John H. Mitchell | Haswell C. Clarke* | John W. Swatek | J. G. Marston |
| 1893 | H. W. Thomas* | John C. Black | G. H. B. Tolle | Pleas. T. Chapman | Haswell C. Clarke | Walter Watson | J. S. McClelland* |
| 1894 | H. W. Thomas | John C. Black | G. H. B. Tolle | Pleas. T. Chapman | Wi liam Hartzell* | Walter Watson | Cicero J. Lindley |
| 1895 | Jerome R. Gorin* | Adlai E. Stevenson* | G. H. B. Tolle | Pleas. T. Chapman | W. O. Butler | Walter Watson | Cicero J. Lindley |
| 1896 | Horace W. Bolton | W. H. Milburn* | G. H. B. Tolle | Cicero J. Lindley | H. C. Clarke | Walter Watson | R. T. Spencer |
| 1897 | Abel M. White | W. E. Mason | G. H. B. Tolle | Joseph D. Everett | Cicero J. Lindley | Walter Watson | Adam Ortseifen |
| 1898 | Frank Crane | W. H. Milburn* | Geo. A. Stadler | Walter Watson | Joseph D. Everett | Adam Ortseifen | Philip Maas |
| 1899 | Nelson G. Lyons | Walter Reeves* | Geo. A. Stadler | Thos. A. Stevens | Walter Watson | Jos. D. Everett | Saml. Coffinberry |
| 1900 | Thos. B. T. Fisher | V. M. Blanding | Geo. A. Stadler | Thos. A. Stevens | Walter Watson | W. W. Watson | Saml. Coffinberry |
| 1901 | J. P. Brushingham | Richard Yates | Geo. A. Stadler | Henry L. Whipple | Walter Watson | Herbert Preston* | Louis Zinger |
| 1902 | J. P. Brushingham | Jas. B. McFatrich* | Geo. A. Stadler | Henry L. Whipple | Walter Watson | Herbert Preston | Louis Zinger |
| 1903 | Joseph Stolz | Wm. A. Northcott | Geo. A. Stadler | Henry L. Whipple | Louis Zinger | W. H. Peak | J. R Ennis |
| 1904 | J. W. VanCleve | Herbert Preston* | Geo. A. Stadler | Henry L. Whipple | Louis Zinger | W. H. Peak | J. R. Ennis |
| 1905 | W. S. Welsh | Owen Scott | Geo. A. Stadler | James McCredie | Louis Zinger | W. H. Peak | J. R. Ennis |
| 1906 | H. W. Thomas | Rufus O. White | Geo. A. Stadler | James McCredie | Louis Zinger | W. O.Butler | J. R. Ennis |
| 1907 | Abraham Traugott | Elmer E. Beach | Geo. A. Stadler | Fred'ick W.Froelich | Louis Zinger | W.O. Butler | Jas. W. Willard |
| 1908 | Abraham Traugott | Euclid B. Rogers | Geo. A. Stadler | Fred'ick W. Froelich | Louis Zinger | W. O. Butler | Jas. W. Willard |
| 1909 | J. Webster Bailey | Frank G. Smith | Geo. A. Stadler | N. J. Cary | A. W. West | James John | Norman M. Mesnard |
| 1910 | W. W. Weadon | W. W. Wilson* | Geo. A. Stadler | N. J. Cary | A. W. West | James John | Norman M. Mesnard |
| 1911 | Joseph C. Nate | Alexander H. Bell | Geo. A. Stadler | T. S. Browning | M. Bates Iott | J. L. Brewster | Geo. N. Todd |
| 1912 | Joseph C. Nate | Lawr'ce Y. Sherman | Geo. A. Stadler | T. S. Browning | M. Bates Iott | J. L. Brewster | Caleb Y. Stovall |
| 1913 | J. G. Wright | James H. Lewis | Geo. A. Stadler | F. J. Eberlein | Andrew McNally | C. J. Novak | D. W. Starr |
| 1914 | J. G. Wright | Delmar D. Darrah | I. Harry Todd | F. J. Eberlein | Andrew McNally | C. J. Novak | D. W. Starr |
| 1915 | R. Keene Ryan | Oscar A. Kropf | I. Harry Todd | G. J. Kurzenknabe | William H. Bied | William M. Lovins | Felix von W. Wysow |
| 1916 | R. Keene Ryan | Oscar A. Kropf | Roy Adams | G. J. Kurzenknabe | William H. Bied | William M. Lovins | Felix von W. Wysow |
| 1917 | Walter Aitken | Frank O. Lowden | Roy Adams | Wm. Elmer Edwards | William H. Bied | William N. Ewing | Robert E. Gifford |

*Deceased. ‡Suspended +Expelled

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| | SR. GRAND DEACON. | JR. GRAND DEACON. | GRAND STEWARD. | GRAND STEWARD. | GRAND STEWARD. | GRAND STEWARD. | GRAND TYLER. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1840 | M. Helm* | J. Crocker* | Lucian B. Adams* | T. G. Johnson* | | | C. Ludlum* |
| 1841 | John Crockett* | Saml. Mattlack* | James Magorian* | A. V. Putman* | | | Geo. Hackett* |
| 1842 | Samuel Mattlack* | Henry Prather* | A. V. Putman* | | | | Geo. Hackett |
| 1843 | J. B. Conyers* | John Bennett* | L. C. Kercheval* | | | | Geo. Hackett |
| 1844 | Peter Sweat* | Chas. H. Pringle* | H. C. Reman* | | | | Geo. Hackett |
| 1845 | William Lavely* | Nathan Dresser* | John C. Heyl* | Samuel H. Davis* | | | John Gregory* |
| 1846 | A. C. Dickson* | R. F. Kippingburg* | Harrison Dills* | Henry Kaussel* | | | D. M. Kittinger* |
| 1847 | W. C. Hobbs* | W. B. Mills* | Timothy Souther* | E. J. Harper* | | | D. M. Kittinger |
| 1848 | W. W. Bennett* | Hosa J. Armstrong* | John Daley* | John Pahlman* | | | N. Christy |
| 1849 | P. A. Whittaker* | Webb C. Quigley* | John E. Rearden* | John T. Knox* | | | A. R. Stout* |
| 1850 | P. A. Whittaker | A. R. Stout* | J. W. Keys* | Phares A. Dorwin* | | | M. McNamara* |
| 1851 | R. W. Scanland* | A. W. Blakesley* | D. A. Morris* | Isaac Springer* | | | A. R. Robinson* |
| 1852 | William S. Hurst* | R. S. Patterson* | Warren Brown* | McKenzie Turner* | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1853 | John C. Heyl* | Wm. M. Eubanks* | Warren Brown | Robert Keith* | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1854 | John M. Scott* | R. W. Scanland* | Robert Keith* | Stephen Bennett* | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1855 | W. W. Jackson* | Henry T. Mudd* | O. N. Stafford* | Ezra J. Higgins* | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1856 | J. S. Reardon* | Daniel Frost* | O. N. Stafford | P. V. Van Norstrum* | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1857 | Caesar A. Roberts* | James Monroe* | O. N. Stafford | Silas C. Toler* | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1858 | Caesar A. Roberts | William Watson* | O. N. Stafford | Daniel G. Burr | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1859 | Wm. V. Plum* | Thomas W. Hay* | Wm. A. Hacker* | P. A. Dorwin* | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1860 | Wm. M. Egan* | Thomas Moore* | Charles Fisher | O. N. Stafford* | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1861 | J. C. Luckey* | H. W. Hubbard* | O. N. Stafford* | Charles Fisher | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1862 | H. W. Hubbard* | John Bennett* | Charles Fisher | O. N. Stafford | | | A. R. Robinson |
| 1863 | N. W. Huntley* | Thomas W. Hay* | Charles Fisher | Wm. F. Elkin, Jr* | | | O. N. Stafford* |
| 1864 | Thomas W. Hay* | George Mason* | Charles Fisher | Wm. F. Elkin, Jr | | | O. N. Stafford |
| 1865 | James Lowe* | Rodney Ashley* | J. M. Burnett* | James Gourley* | | | O. N. Stafford |
| 1866 | James Lowe | Rodney Ashley | O. N. Stafford* | Thomas C. Jewell* | | | John P. Ferns* |
| 1867 | Geo. E. Lounsbury* | D. A. Cashman* | O. N. Stafford | R. D. Lawrence* | | | John P. Ferns |
| 1868 | Wm. G. Swan* | Saml. C. Stearns* | O. N. Stafford | A. R. Robinson* | | | John P. Ferns |
| 1869 | Wiley M. Egan* | Saml. C. Stearns | O. N. Stafford | A. R. Robinson | | | John P. Ferns |
| 1870 | W. J. A. DeLancey* | Henry W. Dyer | R. E. Hamilton | Wm. H. Long | | | John P. Ferns |
| 1871 | W. J. A. DeLancey | H. E. Hamilton | Wm. H. Long | Wm. E. Ginther* | John O'Neil | John McLarey | John P. Ferns |
| 1872 | H. E. Hamilton | John D. Hamilton | L. A. Hamblin* | Joseph Dixon* | M. S. Bowman | G. W. Hartman | John P. Ferns |
| 1873 | H. E. Hamilton | John D. Hamilton | M. S. Bowman | L. A. Hamblin* | G. Brinkmeier | H. Hohnsheidt* | John P. Ferns |
| 1874 | John D. Hamilton | R. T. Higgins.* | J. B. Trull | H. Hohnsheidt* | Ira A. Church* | Isaac E. Hardy | John P. Ferns |
| 1875 | John D. Hamilton | R. T. Higgins | George Rawson | George Barry* | Paul Ziemsen | John P. Norvell* | John P. Ferns |
| 1876 | John M. Pearson* | H. C. Cleveland* | George Rawson | James H. Crandall | Wm. E. Avise | E. Bornemann | John P. Ferns |
| 1877 | John M. Pearson | H. C. Cleveland | George Rawson | Adolph Shire | C. M. Grammar | H. B. Davidson | John P. Ferns |
| 1878 | Alfred Sample* | Frank A. Halliday | A. M. Bennett | James Strong | J. L. Wallar* | Gilbert R. Smith | John P. Ferns |
| 1879 | Alfred Sample | Geo. W. Hamilton | James L. Scott | Morris R. Locke | B. J. Van Court | William Floto | John P. Ferns |

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| 1880 | Samuel Rawson | Geo. W. Hamilton | James L. Scott | Morris R. Locke | B. J. Van Court | J. S. McClelland* | John P. Ferns |
| 1841 | Samuel Rawson | Chas. H. Brennan | T. D. Palmer | Geo. W. Hamilton | B. F. Mason | J. S. McClelland | John P. Ferns |
| 1882 | Leroy A. Goddard | Rowley Page* | Geo. W. Hamilton | J. S. McClelland* | A. B. Wicker | S. T. Webber | John P. Ferns |
| 1883 | Leroy A. Goddard | Rowley Page | Geo. W. Hamilton | S. T. Webber* | Eugene L. Stoker* | H. C. Murrah | John P. Ferns |
| 1884 | Leroy A. Goddard | Thos. S. Mather* | Geo. W. Hamilton | A. B. Wicker | W. O. Butler | J. G. Marston | R. R. Stevens* |
| 1885 | Leroy A. Goddard | Thos. S. Mather | Geo. W. Hamilton | A. B. Wicker | J. G. Marston | Benj. Steingardt | R. R. Stevens |
| 1886 | Leroy A. Goddard | Thos. S. Mather | Geo. W. Hamilton | Joseph Dixon* | John Schofield | R. D. Lawrence* | R. R. Stevens |
| 1887 | John O'Neill | Thos. S. Mather | A. J. Harbers | E. A. Kratz | Daniel Stewart | C. S. Gurney | R. R. Stevens |
| 1888 | John O'Neill | J. E. Evans* | Daniel Stewart | Chester S. Gurney | George W. Warvelle | Henry R. Phinney | R. R. Stevens |
| 1889 | John O'Neill | John W. Rose* | C. S. Gurney | Thos. Worthington | | | R. R. Stevens |
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| 1892 | John O'Neill | Andrew J. Benson | A. W. Hitchcock | Wm. Jackson | Chas. H. Starkel | R. T. Spencer‡ | R. R. Stevens |
| 1893 | Geo. M. Moulton | Andrew J. Benson | A. M. Boring | Wm. H. Johnson | J. M. Montgomery* | F. E. Eubelling | R. R. Stevens |
| 1894 | Geo. M. Moult n | Andrew J. Benson | H. C. Mitchell | Wm. H. Johnson | A. M. Boring | Harry C. Purdy | R. R. Stevens |
| 1895 | E. C. Pace* | C. E. Allen | John Lingo | W. W. Bruce | W. W. Watson | A. M. Boring | R. R. Stevens |
| 1896 | E. C. Pace | C. E. Allen | W. W. Bruce | Adam Ortseifen | J. S. McClelland* | W. H. Johnson | R. R. Stevens |
| 1897 | C. E. Allen | H. C. Clarke* | Geo. W. Hamilton | W. W. Watson | J. S. McClelland | S. Coffinberry | R. R. Stevens |
| 1898 | C. E. Allen | H. C. Clarke | Geo. W. Hamilton | W. W. Watson | J. S. McClelland | S. Coffinberry | R. R. Stevens |
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| 1917 | Seymour S. Borden | Spruell C. D. Rea | H. S. Albin | Charles F. Tenney | George W. Tipsword | Tim Van Antwerp | C. S. Gurney |

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## MASONIC LITERATURE.

The Grand Secretary desires to thank the editors of the following magazines and papers for kindly supplying this office with their publications during the past year, in exchange for our proceedings. We shall be happy to exchange with all Masonic publications and papers having a Masonic department:

*Bohemia Lodge Compass*—1817 Loomis St., Chicago, Ill.
*Chicago Lodge Record*—6 No. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.
*Crane's Circular*—29 E. Madison St., Chicago, Ill.
*Light*—Louisville, Ky.
*Masonic Home Journal*—Louisville, Ky.
*Masonic News*—Peoria, Illinois.
*Masonic Standard*—New York, New York.
*Masonic Tribune*—Seattle, Wash.
*Masonic Voice and Review*—319-320 So. La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.
*Missouri Freemason*—St. Louis, Missouri.
*Oriental Lodge Notes*—2121 N. Clark St., Chicago.
*Palestine Bulletin*—68 Griswold St., Detroit, Michigan.
*Square and Compass*—Denver, Colorado.
*Square and Compasses*—New Orleans, Louisiana.
*Temple Topics*—Masonic Temple, Englewood, Illinois.
*The American Freemason*—Storm Lake, Iowa.
*The Builder*—Masonic Research Society, Anamosa, Iowa.
*The Duluth Calendar*—Duluth, Minnesota.
*The Illinois Freemason*—Bloomington, Illinois.
*The Illinois Masonic Review*—Arcola, Illinois.
*The Inter-State Freemason*—203 Hall Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.
*The Masonic Chronicler*—431 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Illinois.
*The Masonic Observer*—Minneapolis, Minnesota.
*The Masonic Review*—Tacoma, Washington.
*The Masonic Trowel*—Little Rock, Arkansas.
*The New England Craftsman*—Boston, Massachusetts.
*The Tennessee Freemason*—Nashville, Tennessee.
*The Texas Freemason*—San Antonio, Texas.
*Thomas J. Turner Lodge*—4006 Warwick Ave., Chicago, Ill.
*Masonic Trowel*—Memphis, Tenn.
*The Master Mason*—404 Ridge Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.
*Cornerstone Call*—912 N. La Salle St., Chicago.
*Masonic World*—1407 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago.
*Justice Bulletin*—3348 W. 60th St., Chicago.
*Masonic Token*—37 Plum St., Portland, Me.

# DETAILED REPORT

OF

THE BUSINESS OF THE GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE

OCTOBER, 1916 to 1917

TOGETHER WITH

# OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS and REPORTS

OF

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS
and GRAND EXAMINERS

## OFFICIAL PAPERS.

COPY OF LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE MASTERS OF COOK COUNTY LODGES.

CHICAGO, ILL., NOVEMBER 13, 1916.

Dear Sir and Brother:

In March of this year I issued a call to have you appear in person or send a representative to a meeting held at the Auditorium Lodge Hall, where I spoke on some matters of interest to the craft, and among other things I discussed the question of class gifts.

It has come to my attention that in some of the lodges a movement is on foot to obtain funds by having the various members raised during the past year contribute a stipulated amount, with the idea in mind of buying a present for the Master. This is contrary to my instructions given at the time above referred to, and is likewise detrimental to the best interests of Masonry and the lodges.

You are hereby directed to read this communication in open lodge at the first stated meeting after its receipt, and to see that no money is raised in your lodge in this manner.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

CHICAGO, DECEMBER 1, 1916.

Dear Brethren:

At the last Annual Meeting of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, held in the City of Chicago, October 10, 11, and 12, 1916, it was proposed by the Committee on Legislation, and seconded by a majority vote of the Grand Lodge, to amend the Constitution of the M. W. Grand Lodge by inserting therein a section to be numbered 55, to read as follows:

> 55. Should any person give to this Grand Lodge by gift, devise or conveyance, any real or personal estate with any limitations or conditions specified in such gift, devise or conveyance, that such property so given, or only the income thereof, shall be used for the maintenance and support of the Masonic Home at Sullivan, or the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital at Sullivan, or the Orphans' Home at La Grange, or any other charity which this Grand Lodge may hereafter establish, or that the same shall be used and employed by this Grand Lodge in any specified manner or for any specified purpose within the activities of this Grand Lodge, then this Grand Lodge hereby creates and establishes such fund and property so given to it as an endowment fund, or trust fund, to be used and employed only for the uses and purposes and in the manner speci-

fied in such gift, devise or conveyance, and this Grand Lodge shall be forever pledged faithfully to administer and preserve such funds and property as a trust according to the limitations and conditions of such gift, devise or conveyance. All such funds and property shall be kept and accounted for by the Grand Treasurer separate from all other funds and property of this Grand Lodge, and subject only to such administrative regulations as this Grand Lodge may impose, consistent with the conditions of such gift, devise or conveyance.

The M. W. Grand Master in his annual report to the Grand Lodge recommended a change in Code No. 53 of the Constitution. It was referred to the Committee on Legislation. The Committee on Legislation reported it back to the Grand Lodge and it was seconded by a majority vote. It is proposed to amend the same so that it shall read as follows:

53. The Grand Lodge may establish a mileage and per diem rate for its officers, the representatives highest in rank from each lodge, and its standing committees, for attendance at Grand Lodge, not exceeding five cents per mile each way, and two dollars per day, excepting that members of committees and Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters, Past Senior Grand Wardens and Past Junior Grand Wardens of this Grand Lodge shall be paid five dollars per day for each day's attendance upon the duties of their respective committees.

Both these amendments are hereby submitted to the Constituent Lodges for their action as provided in Code No. 79.

The Worshipful Master of each Constituent Lodge in Illinois is required to submit the amendments to vote of his Lodge.

It is ordered that this circular be read in full at the next stated meeting of the lodge after its receipt, and that action thereon be taken not later than the second stated meeting after its receipt.

The Secretary of each lodge is hereby ordered to certify under seal of his lodge, on the enclosed blank, the result of the vote immediately after same is taken, and forward the same to the Grand Secretary.

Fraternally,

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

CHICAGO, DECEMBER 1, 1916.

NOTICE OF EXAMINATION.

An examination for commission as Grand Lecturer will be held at Auditorium Lodge Hall, 60 E. Congress Street, Chicago, on Wednesday and Thursday, December 27th and 28th, commencing promptly at 9:00 a. m.

each day. This examination will be in charge of the Board of Grand Examiners.

Brethren who desire to take advantage of this opportunity to be examined should secure the necessary blanks from the Secretary of the Board, S. C. D. Rea, Benton, Illinois. After they have been filled out they should be forwarded to the Grand Master, and must be in his hands at least three days prior to the time of holding the examination.

The Grand Lodge is very glad to have a large number of commissioned brethren, but it expects those who receive this distinction to maintain the high standard of proficiency which has been established by our Board of Grand Examiners.

Fraternally,

Attest:
ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

CHICAGO, DECEMBER 1, 1916.

*To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of all Constituent Lodges of A. F. & A. M., in this Grand Jurisdiction, Greeting:*

Dear Brethren:

During the year 1917 six State Schools of Instruction will be held at the places and on the dates named below.

*State Schools*

Centralia, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 16, 17 and 18.
Champaign, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 30, 31 and Feb. 1.
Springfield, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 13, 14 and 15.
Galesburg, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 27, 28 and March 1.
La Salle, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 13, 14 and 15.
Chicago, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 20, 21 and 22.

The State Schools will be conducted by the entire Board of Grand Examiners, consisting of Brethren Anthony Doherty, Chairman, Clay City; H. S. Wiley, Buffalo; R. C. Davenport, Harrisburg; S. C. D. Rea, Benton; Maxwell Levy, Chicago.

The degrees will be conferred upon actual candidates at each of the above schools.

There will also be held six District Schools, at the places and on the dates named below:

*District Schools*

Marion, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 23, 24 and 25; H. S. Wiley, instructor.

Pekin, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 23, 24 and 25; R. C. Davenport, instructor.

Metropolis, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 6, 7 and 8; S. C. D. Rea, instructor.

Joliet, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 6, 7 and 8; Maxwell Levy, instructor.

Dixon, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 20, 21 and 22; S. C. D. Rea, instructor.

Quincy, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 20, 21 and 22; Anthony Doherty, instructor.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge the following report of the Board of Grand Examiners was adopted:

> The Board of Grand Examiners to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's Report pertaining to District Schools, recommend that the Grand Lecturers, in order to have their commissions renewed, be required to attend one State School of Instruction and that no credit be given them for attendance at a District School.

The Schools of Instruction are provided by the Grand Lodge for the purpose of familiarizing the Craft with the forms and ceremonies of the conferring of the degrees, and for general dissemination of information with reference to Masonry. During each School the three degrees will be exemplified and it is urged that each lodge send a representative to at least one of the Schools, and if necessary provide for the payment of his expenses.

The Grand Master and the Grand Secretary will be present at each State School and will be delighted indeed to meet the representatives from the various lodges and to discuss any matters of importance.

The Grand Master will be officially received on the evening of the second day of each State School and will provide special features for that occasion. It is intended that the evening of the second day be given over to social and intellectual Masonry and an able speaker will be present to address the lodge.

The Grand Orator has promised to attend one or more of these Schools, and the Grand Master has the promise of other eloquent and learned Masons to attend on these occasions.

In each instance the State Schools will be opened at 9:00 o'clock a. m. and there will be three sessions daily.

It is ordered that this circular be read in open lodge at the first stated meeting after it is received.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

CHICAGO, DECEMBER 1, 1916.

*To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of all Constituent Lodges of A. F. & A. M. of Illinois:*

Dear Brethren:

At the last meeting of the Grand Lodge a special committee presented a report on the revision of the Monitor. The report was adopted and the Monitor was ordered printed in the proceedings.

In its report to the Grand Lodge the special committee made the following recommendations:

(a) The adoption by the Grand Lodge of the Monitor submitted herewith, substantially as presented.

(b) That when adopted the Monitor be duly copyrighted in the name of the Grand Lodge, and that the manufacture and distribution be under its exclusive control through its proper officers, and

(c) That steps be taken to encourage the several lodges throughout this jurisdiction to adopt the practice of presenting each brother at the time he is raised, with a copy of said Monitor.

The committee also said:

We believe the changes are so slight that any Mason familiar with the Monitor will find no difficulty whatever in conforming to the suggested revision.

This Monitor is now the official Monitor of the Grand Lodge of Illinois and is the only one permitted to be used. The brethren should be encouraged in procuring one at the earliest possible moment and become familiar with the corrected work. I heartily concur in the recommendation of the committee to the effect that each brother raised in the lodges be presented with a copy of the Monitor. The Monitor is now ready for delivery at the prices quoted below and can be obtained only from the R. W. Grand Secretary, Bro. Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, Illinois.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Gilt Edge, with tuck 30 cts.
Plain Edge, no tuck 20 cts.
No reduction in lots.
Send money with the order.

CHICAGO, MARCH 12, 1917.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your lodge has recently been notified by the District Deputy Grand Masters of Chicago that a State School of Instruction will be held in the Auditorium Lodge Hall, Auditorium Building, Chicago, on March 20, 21

and 22, 1917. In the said notice your attention was called to the fact that I expected to be present on the afternoon of the second day, at which time I wished to meet the Master and Wardens of the lodges in Cook County.

This letter is to notify you that you are expected to appear at the above meeting on Wednesday afternoon, March 21, 1917, three o'clock and if unable to come you are to send one of the Wardens of your lodge as your proxy. I must insist that your lodge be represented on this occasion, and will not accept any excuse as you certainly can either be present or have one of your Wardens there. I expect to discuss matters of general interest to the craft and to the officers of the lodges in particular.

In the evening of the second day there will be an address by the Rev. Joseph Fort Newton, of the National Masonic Research Society. This will be one of the last opportunities that the craft of America will have of hearing this distinguished Masonic speaker, as he has been called to preach in a church in London, England.

Expecting to see you on March 21st, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

CHICAGO, APRIL 10, 1917.

Dear Sir and Brother:

The enclosed Edicts have been re-issued by me to the constituent lodges and you will note that it is ordered that the same be read at stated meetings held for the three months next following its receipt.

In making your official visitations you will kindly note whether the order has been obeyed, and if not, you are hereby authorized to order the lodge to read the Edict a sufficient number of times to comply with the order contained therein.

It is important that the information contained in the said Edict be given as wide Masonic publicity as is possible.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

CHICAGO, APRIL 10, 1917.

*To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Constituent Lodges:*

I do hereby re-issue and promulgate the following Edicts:

On the third day of May, 1880, Bro. Theodore T. Gurney, then M. W. Grand Master of Masons, issued the following Edict, which was approved by the Grand Lodge, to-wit:

"That any member or members of lodges within this grand jurisdiction or any sojourning or unaffiliated Masons, who shall vend or in any manner distribute any printed publication or manuscript representing it or them, directly or indirectly, as rituals of Masonry, shall be promptly arraigned and if found guilty, shall receive the most severe punishment known to our laws. And it is further ordered that any member of a lodge, or any sojourner or unaffiliated Mason, as aforesaid, who shall be found in possession of any such publication or manuscript in any lodge hall of this jurisdiction, or in any anteroom or other apartments thereunto appertaining and after the promulgation of this Edict, shall, upon conviction be adjudged guilty of a violation thereof and shall be punished as heretofore directed. And it is further ordered, that masters, officers, or members of Lodges, who shall employ said publications or manuscript as of authority in the work or other exercises of our lodges, shall, upon conviction for such offense, be expelled from the Fraternity."

On the 10th day of April, 1896, Bro. Owen Scott, then M. W. Grand Master of Masons, reaffirmed and promulgated the above Edict and declared that all persons so offending should be subject to all the penalties above described.

April 25, 1899, Bro. Edward Cook, then M. W. Grand Master of Masons, issued an Edict in which he declared as follows:

"The sale, distribution, use, or possession of any pretended exposés, or of any written or printed form of the esoteric work is not only a violation of obligation but is also in direct disregard of the Edict of Grand Master Scott on this subject, issued April 10, 1896, to which your attention is called, and which is in full force and authority."

On October 25, 1912, Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, then M. W. Grand Master of Masons, issued a Letter of Warning and Orders, in which he said:

"Three Edicts having now been issued upon the subject of Cipher Rituals, it should not at this time be necessary to promulgate another. The attention of every Mason in Illinois is called to the action already taken by the Grand Lodge upon the subject and which is today in full force and effect. Not only is the possession of a Cipher Ritual a Masonic offense, but knowledge of the possession of such a document by another which is not made known to the proper authorities will be construed as an equal evidence of guilt and will be made the basis of charges of conduct un-Masonic. Masters of lodges are hereby ordered to purge their lodges by placing on trial all members who may be known to have in their possession or to make use in any way of Cipher Rituals or other books and documents purporting to contain the secret work of this jurisdiction.

It is hereby ordered that this, my Edict, be read in open lodge at each stated meeting held during the three months next following its receipt by the lodge, and that record be made in the minutes on each occasion that it is read.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

CHICAGO, MAY 9, 1917.

NOTICE OF EXAMINATION.

Brethren desiring to take the examination for a commission as Grand Lecturer will have an opportunity at Carbondale, on Monday and Tuesday, May 28 and 29, 1917.

The examination will be in charge of the Board of Grand Examiners, and will begin promptly at 9:30 a. m.

The necessary blanks for those who desire to take advantage of this opportunity should be secured from the secretary of the Board, Bro. S. C. D. Rea, Benton, Illinois.

After they have been filled out they should be forwarded to the Grand Master, and must be in his hands at least three days prior to the time of holding the examination.

The Grand Lodge is very glad to have a large number of commissioned brethren, but it expects those who receive this distinction to maintain the high standard of proficiency which has been established by the Board of Grand Examiners.

Fraternally,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:
ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

CHICAGO, MAY 31, 1917.

*To the Secretaries of the Constituent Lodges:*

Brethren:

Enclosed herewith you will find a Proclamation which is ordered read at the next stated meeting after its receipt. Accompanying it you will find a letter from me which is likewise to be read in full at the next stated meeting after its receipt.

You will receive by express a package containing a sufficient number of the Proclamations, and the letters, and you are hereby directed to mail a copy of each to your entire membership.

Should you not have sufficient copies kindly communicate with the Grand Secretary and he will see that you are furnished with them.

I ask your earnest co-operation, not only in the carrying out of the request herein contained, but in the fulfilment of the ideas set forth in both the Proclamation and the letter. I am thoroughly convinced that the conditions confronting us are serious and that we should take cognizance of them now and be prepared for the worst.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

CHICAGO, MAY 31, 1917.

*To the Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Masters of Illinois:*

Dear Sir & Brother:—

Enclosed herewith you will find copy of a proclamation, also letter to the lodges and their membership, and likewise a copy of a letter to the Secretaries of the lodges, and I will ask that you use your every effort to see that my directions are complied with, and will also ask that you urge upon the lodges and the membership in your district the necessity of co-operating in every way with the Grand Lodge to the ultimate end that we may be prepared for the future.

You will undoubtedly realize that your Grand Officers view the situation seriously when you take into consideration that we are making an effort to reach the individual member with our message. I believe that each and everyone of us is called upon to make a certain amount of sacrifice, and I realize that I am calling upon you for an unusual amount of your time, but believe that you can well afford to give it because it means a great deal to each and every one of us, and the sacrifice that we will be called upon to make as compared to those who are obliged to go to the front, is merely nothing.

Again asking your hearty co-operation in the carrying out of the ideas contained in the proclamation and my letter, and thanking you in advance, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

CHICAGO, MAY 31, 1917.

PROCLAMATION.

*Greetings to the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of the Constituent Lodges:*

BRETHREN:—The Pesident and Congress have declared that a state of war exists. Under this condition it is our duty as Masons and citizens to view the situation seriously.

We must be prepared for any emergency, no matter how grave or extended the same may be. Many of the best informed and conservative leaders are convinced that it is a matter of years before we shall see the end.

Our members as individuals are already called upon to make sacrifices, and this call has not been confined to our members alone but has reached our lodges and our Grand Lodge. The young men of our nation must bear the burdens of actual warfare while all others should be support-

ing the nation in maintaining them by production and conservation of resources. Our lodges as such will have their incomes diminished by loss of membership and by financial restrictions, and the duties of actual warfare preventing candidates from applying for the degrees.

On the other hand our treasuries will be called upon to meet very unusual and heavy demands. We are thus confronted with conditions much more serious than we have ever met before. We will be frequently called upon to assist our wounded, to bury our dead, and so far as our ability will permit, to render assistance to those dependent upon our brethren actually engaged in warfare. Many meritorious applications will come to us from organizations engaged in special work and making excellent use of their money. When such applications are received it is our duty to remember that we can disburse our funds only "for Masonic purposes."

Undoubtedly many of our members, however, are giving generously to these worthy causes and it gives us great pleasure to believe that they will continue their liberality to the end.

"You are enjoined to be exemplary in the discharge of your civil duties and never to lose sight of the allegiance due to your country."

To these ends we trust that you will encourage, sustain and support your individual members in the discharge of their duties, that you will discourage extravagance and needless expense in your lodges, and that you will co-operate with the Grand Lodge in the conservation of resources and prepare to attain the highest measure of efficiency in extending relief to those dependent upon us, ever remembering in this hour of the nation's trial that "Masonry hath been always injured by war, bloodshed and confusion" and that we have "ever flourished in times of peace."

Secretaries of lodges are ordered to read this proclamation at the next stated meeting after its receipt, and to spread it in full upon the minutes.

Done at the City of Chicago, the thirty-first day of May, A. D. 1917.

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

AUSTIN H. SCROGIN,
*Deputy Grand Master.*

LEROY A. GODDARD,
*Grand Treasurer.*

DAN G. FITZGERRELL,
*Senior Grand Warden.*

ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

ELMER E. BEACH,
*Junior Grand Warden.*

CHICAGO, MAY 31, 1917.

*To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of the Constituent Lodges:*

BRETHREN:—Acting with the approval of the Grand Master's Advisory Council I write to say that in the present crisis lodges are permitted to show their loyalty to the Government by investing in United States Government Bonds, known as the Liberty Loan Bonds. We consider this investment a safe and proper one for the funds of your lodges, and you are encouraged to invest any surplus money that you have in this way.

It will also be permissible for Worshipful Masters, in an unofficial way, to announce to the brethren in open lodge, in fact, to encourage the members of the lodges in the idea that it is their duty to support the Government in this crisis, which is a warfare to sustain the principles for which Masonry has stood for two hundred years or more, and that the purchasing of the Liberty Loan Bonds will be a material help to the Government at this time and will assist in preserving, not only our Nation, but our beloved institution.

The membership of lodges are also urged to participate in the Red Cross movement as individuals, and Masters are not only permitted, but are encouraged to so announce in open lodge. Code No. 409 of our law provides that lodge money can be paid out only "for Masonic purposes," hence it is not permissible for lodges, as such, to take part in the Red Cross movement.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

CHICAGO, SEPT. 1, 1917.

DEAR BROTHER SECRETARY:—The Grand Master is anxious to obtain information in regard to the amount of money invested by your lodge in Liberty Loan Bonds.

Please place the amount in the blank space in the following paragraph:

Our Lodge invested $..... in Liberty Loan Bonds.

Secretary.....

Lodge No.....

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

CHICAGO, SEPT. 1, 1917.

DEAR BROTHER SECRETARY:—The Grand Master is anxious to obtain information in regard to the members of the organization in the United States service.

Will you please answer the following questions and return promptly to the Grand Secretary:

How many members of your lodge are engaged in the Military and Naval service of the U. S.? Answer.....
How many are officers in the Artillery? Answer.....
How many are officers in the Cavalry? Answer.....
How many are officers in the Navy? Answer.....
How many are officers in the Aviation Corps? Answer.....

How many are serving *OTHER THAN OFFICERS* in each of the following branches of our military organization:

Infantry? Answer.....
Artillery? Answer.....
Navy? Answer.....
Cavalry? Answer.....
Aviation? Answer.....

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:
ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

CHICAGO, SEPT. 1, 1917.

*To the Masons of Illinois:*

The following are copies of letters received from the Grand Masters of California and Texas which are of interest to all Masons in the State. Kindly read these letters at your next stated meeting and should you have any occasion to communicate with the California or Texas jurisdictions about any of your membership who are in the camps there, I am sure you will get splendid attention. It is permissible, in correspondence of this kind, for you to communicate directly with the brethren named in the circular.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:
ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

FROM CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco, Aug. 1, 1917.

*To All Masonic Jurisdictions, Greetings:*

Many young men, Masons or sons of Masons, have left homes and loved ones and are now in the service of their country, located temporarily in military camps in California. In many instances parents or other relatives at home desire reliable information concerning these young men, particularly concerning their health and condition.

For the purpose of aiding such relatives we offer the services of Brethren who are conveniently located near the several military camps in California, and suggest to Grand Masters that Lodges of their respective jurisdictions be advised of this proffered service.

Inquiries directed to the Brethren below-named will receive prompt attention:

Concerning men stationed at Camps at or near San Francisco (Fort Baker, Fort Barry, Fort Mason, Fort McDowell, Fort Miley, Fort Winfield Scott, Presidio, Naval Training Station at Goat Island), apply to Brother Leo Bruck, 419 Masonic Temple, San Francisco.

Concerning men at Mare Island Navy Yard, Vallejo, apply to Brother Thomas Brown, 1205 1-2 Marin Street, Vallejo, or to Samuel Lyttle, Box 334, Vallejo.

Concerning men at Camp Fremont, apply to Brother Harry N. Vandervoort, 111 Circle, Palo Alto.

Concerning men at Arcadia or other Camps near Los Angeles, apply to Brother J. M. Dunsmoor, 513 Stimson Building, Los Angeles.

Concerning men at any of the Camps at and near San Diego (Fort Rosecrans, Camp Kearny, Naval Training, Aviation or Radio Stations), apply to Brother C. Woodman Potter, Masonic Temple, Fifth and Ash Streets, San Diego, or to Arthur A. Mathewson, Coronado.

Assuring you of our desire to be of service in any way, and feeling as you do a pardonable pride in the fact that so many Masons are offering their services to their country, I am

Fraternally yours,

Francis V. Keesling,
*Grand Master.*

John Whicher,
*Grand Secretary.*

FROM TEXAS.

HOUSTON, TEX., AUG. 14, 1917.

*To All Masonic Jurisdictions, Greetings:*

Many young men, Masons or sons of Masons, have left their homes and loved ones and are now in the service of their country, located temporarily in cantonments and military camps in Texas. Frequently, parents or other relatives at home desire reliable information concerning these young men, particularly concerning their health and condition.

For the purpose of supplying this information, we offer the services of brethren who are conveniently located near the points where troops are stationed, or will be stationed in Texas, including cantonments, training camps, troops stationed for border service between Texas and Mexico, and suggest to Grand Masters that lodges of their respective jurisdiction be advised of this proffered service.

Inquiries directed to the brethren below named will receive prompt attention:

Concerning men stationed in camps at or near Houston, Tex., including Camp Logan, or aviation camp or school, should one be located here, or any other camps, apply to R. W. Bro. G. A. Brandt, 1016 Texas Avenue, Houston, Tex.

Concerning men stationed in camps at or near Galveston, Tex., apply to Bro. D. J. MacGregor, Galveston, Tex.

Concerning men stationed in camps at or near San Antonio, Tex., including Fort Sam Houston, Leon Springs and Camp Kelly, apply to Bro. P. D. Mathais, San Antonio, Tex.

Concerning men stationed at or near Waco, Tex., apply to R. W. Bro. Frank M. Miller, Waco, Tex.

Concerning men stationed at or near Dallas, Tex., apply to Bro. Ben Irelson, Dallas, Tex.

Concerning men located at or near Fort Worth, Tex., apply to Bro. Charles B. Brown, Fort Worth, Tex.

Concerning men located at or near El Paso, Tex., apply to Bro. George F. Morgan, El Paso, Tex.

Concerning men located at or near Corpus Christi, Tex., apply to Bro. J. A. Mount, Corpus Christi, Tex.

Concerning men located in camps at or near Brownsville, Tex., apply to Bro. David L. Spero, Brownsville, Tex.

Concerning men located in camps at or near McAllen, Tex., apply to Bro. Isadore Moritz, McAllen, Tex.

Concerning men located in camps at or near Mercedes, Tex., apply to Bro. F. G. Tappan, Mercedes, Tex.

Assuring you that these Texas brethren have volunteered their services to aid in this work and that it is our desire to secure any information desired from any of these camps, and congratulating you upon this patriotic service rendered by these brethren and Masons during this world war, I am

Yours fraternally,

FRANK C. JONES,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

W. B. PEARSON,
*Grand Secretary.*

## PROCLAMATION.

CHICAGO, SEPT. 1, 1917.

*To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren:*

DEAR BRETHREN:—At the last annual meeting of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, held in the City of Chicago, October 10, 11 and 12, 1916, it was proposed by the Committee on Legislation, and seconded by a majority vote of the Grand Lodge, to amend the Constitution of the M. W. Grand Lodge by inserting therein a section to be numbered 55. This proposed amendment was sent out to the lodges and the Grand Secretary has certified to me that this proposed amendment received the approval of two-thirds of all the lodges in this jurisdiction.

The Grand Master in his annual report to the Grand Lodge recommended a change in Code No. 53 of the Constitution. It was referred to the Committee on Legislation. The Committee on Legislation reported it back to the Grand Lodge and it was seconded by a majority vote. This proposed amendment was sent out to the lodges and the Grand Secretary has certified to me that this proposed amendment did not receive the necessary approval of two-thirds of the lodges.

Now, therefore, I, Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master, do hereby proclaim that the amendment to the Constitution, adding section 55 to the Code, has been duly adopted and is from this date a part of the Constitution of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, and is in full force and effect.

55. Should any person give to this Grand Lodge by gift, devise or conveyance any real or personal estate with any limitations or conditions specified in such gift, devise or conveyance, that such property so given or only the income thereof shall be used for the maintenance and support of the Masonic Home at Sullivan or the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital at Sullivan,

or the Orphans' Home at La Grange, or any other charity which this Grand Lodge may hereafter establish, or that the same shall be used and employed by this Grand Lodge in any specified manner or for any specified purpose within the activities of this Grand Lodge, then this Grand Lodge hereby creates and establishes such fund and property so given to it as an endowment fund or trust fund to be used and employed only for the uses and purposes and in the manner specified in such gift, devise or conveyaance, and this Grand Lodge shall be forever pledged faithfully to administer and preserve such funds and property as a trust according to the limitations and conditions of such gift, devise or conveyance. All such funds and property shall be kept and accounted for by the Grand Treasurer separate from all other funds and property of this Grand Lodge, and subject only to such administrative regulations as this Grand Lodge may impose, consistent with the conditions of such gift, devise or conveyance.''

The proposed change in Code No. 53 did not receive the necessary approval of two-thirds of the lodges.

It is hereby ordered that this Proclamation be read in full in open lodge at the first stated meeting after it has been received and spread in full upon the minutes.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Lodge at Chicago, this first day of September, A. D. 1917, A. L. 5917.

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:
ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

CHICAGO, OCT. 8, 1917.

*To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Brethren of Illinois, and to the Craft wherever dispersed:*

BRETHREN:—In order to provide for the necessary service so that the fraternity of the various jurisdictions, as well as our own, might be in close touch with their members at the various concentration points in the Government service, I have had information bureaus established with the following brethren in charge:

Camp Grant, located near Rockford, Ill., Bro. John T. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.

Chanute Field, located near Rantoul, Ill., Bro. Glenn Robinson, Rantoul, Ill.

Camps Lincoln and Lowden, located near Springfield, Ill., Bro. C. W. Bolmhorst, Springfield, Ill.

Aviation Camp at Belleville, Ill., Bro. Richard Aver, Belleville, Ill.

Fort Sheridan, located at Fort Sheridan, Ill., Bro. John Hay, Highland Park, Ill.

Great Lakes Naval Training Station, located at Great Lakes, Ill., Bro. William E. Sayle, Waukegan, Ill.

These brethren have volunteered their services and will furnish information with reference to any of the brethren that may be located in these camps. In the event that a member of a lodge is sick they will be glad indeed to look after him and render him any and all assistance possible.

There has been no fund provided to extend financial assistance and in my belief the lodge to which the member belongs should provide money, where he needs any financial help.

The brethren of lodges in Illinois are admonished that they should keep themselves advised as to the whereabouts of their members in the service, and should stand ready to provide for them in case of necessity. The lodges in the immediate vicinity of the various camps are doing a great deal in the way of providing entertainment, and the burden of this expense should not be borne by them. They are not only fulfilling a Masonic obligation but are likewise performing a patriotic duty, and the lodges having members at camps in Illinois or elsewhere should help the local lodges and brethren by liberal contributions to their recreation funds. Any money sent to the above brethren in charge of the information bureaus will be carefully expended and the wishes of the donors carried out.

Fraternally yours,

RALPH H. WHEELER,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,
*Grand Secretary.*

## DISPENSATION FEES.

In General.

| Lodge | Amount | Lodge | Amount |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ravenswood No. 777 | $ 2.00 | St. Clair No. 24 | 2.00 |
| Hyde Park No. 989 | 2.00 | Wayfarers No. 1001 | 2.00 |
| Matteson No. 175 | 2.00 | Lakeside No. 739 | 2.00 |
| Jerseyville No. 394 | 2.00 | Banner Blue No. 924 | 2.00 |
| Apollo No. 642 | 2.00 | Waubansia No. 960 | 2.00 |
| Ashlar No. 308 | 2.00 | York No. 313 | 2.00 |
| Kenwood No. 800 | 2.00 | Chatsworth No. 539 | 2.00 |
| Old Glory No. 975 | 2.00 | Welcome No. 916 | 2.00 |
| Kosmos No. 896 | 2.00 | Kenwood No. 800 | 2.00 |
| Greenville No. 245 | 2.00 | Morning Star No. 731 | 2.00 |
| Crescent No. 895 | 2.00 | Germania No. 182 | 2.00 |
| Kensington No. 804 | 2.00 | Marion No. 130 | 2.00 |
| North Shore No. 937 | 2.00 | Raleigh No. 128 | 2.00 |
| Akin No. 749 | 2.00 | Enfield No. 677 | 2.00 |
| Corinthian No. 205 | 2.00 | Lessing No. 557 | 2.00 |
| Wheeler No. 883 | 2.00 | Mithra No. 410 | 2.00 |
| Toulon No. 93 | 2.00 | Illinois No. 263 | 2.00 |
| Mt. Pulaski No. 87 | 2.00 | Equity No. 878 | 2.00 |
| Chambersburg No. 373 | 2.00 | Chicago No. 437 | 2.00 |
| May No. 718 | 2.00 | Accordia No. 277 | 2.00 |
| Atkinson No. 433 | 2.00 | Blair No. 393 | 2.00 |
| Blair No. 393 | 2.00 | Meteor No. 283 | 2.00 |
| LaFayette No. 657 | 2.00 | Ogden Park No. 897 | 2.00 |
| Sandoval No. 932 | 2.00 | Emblem No. 984 | 2.00 |
| Ben Hur No. 818 | 2.00 | Herder No. 669 | 2.00 |
| Jerseyville No. 394 | 2.00 | Perseverance No. 973 | 2.00 |
| Sesses No 918 | 2.00 | D. C. Cregier No. 643 | 2.00 |
| Rock River No. 612 | 2.00 | Constellation No. 892 | 2.00 |
| Olney No. 140 | 2.00 | Keystone No. 639 | 2.00 |
| Logan No. 210 | 2.00 | Piasa No. 27 | 2.00 |
| Mazon No. 826 | 2.00 | Danvers No. 742 | 2.00 |
| Xenia No. 485 | 2.00 | Myrtle No. 795 | 2.00 |
| Mackinaw No. 132 | 2.00 | Hyde Park No. 989 | 2.00 |
| Milton No. 275 | 2.00 | Dearborn No. 310 | 2.00 |
| Cisco No. 965 | 2.00 | Lakeside No. 739 | 2.00 |
| Square No. 978 | 2.00 | Columbian No. 819 | 2.00 |
| West Gate No. 856 | 2.00 | Hampshire No. 443 | 2.00 |
| Doric No. 319 | 2.00 | Oriental No. 33 | 2.00 |
| Brotherhood No. 986 | 2.00 | America No. 889 | 2.00 |

| Lodge | Amount | Lodge | Amount |
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| Bohemia No. 943 | 2.00 | Herder No. 669 | 2.00 |
| Kenwood No. 800 | 2.00 | Kilwinning No. 311 | 2.00 |
| Anchor No. 980 | 2.00 | Old Glory No. 975 | 2.00 |
| Rantoul No. 470 | 2.00 | Wayfarers No. 1001 | 2.00 |
| Princeville No. 360 | 2.00 | Melvin No. 811 | 2.00 |
| Enfield No. 277 | 2.00 | Rantoul No. 470 | 8.00 |
| Rantoul No. 470 | 2.00 | | |
| Washington Park No. 956 | 2.00 | | $190.00 |

The following fees have been received and were turned over to the Grand Secretary after his accounts were closed, and will not appear in this years' report.

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| Rantoul No. 470 | $ 8.00 | Fernwood Park No. 971 | $ 2.00 |

From New Lodges.

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| Hurst Lodge U. D. | $100.00 |
| Community Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| Fair Oaks Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| Loyal Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| Parkway Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| Hiram Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| Woodson Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| Honor Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| Birchwood Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| John Paul Jones Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| Moline Lodge U. D. | 100.00 |
| | $1,100.00 |

## FUNERALS

Bro. Albert B. Ashley, Chicago, Illinois.

November 5, 1916.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Ralph H. Wheeler.....M. W. Grand Master
Austin H. Scrogin.....R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Dan G. Fitzgerrell.....R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Wm. H. Beckman.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
LeRoy A. Goddard.....R. W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R. W. Grand Secretary
R. Keene Ryan.....R. W. Grand Chaplain
George J. Kurzenknabbe.....W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
C. W. Walduck.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Felix von W. Wysow.....W. Grand Sword Bearer
Edward H .Thomas.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Norman J. Carey.....W. Junior Grand Deacon
T. VanAntwerp.....W. Grand Steward
John Johnston.....as W. Grand Steward
Maxwell Levy.....as W. Grand Steward
H. W. Harvey.....as W. Grand Steward
Amos Pettibone.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
PALL BEARERS—Jos. J. Shaw; Jno. F. Schott; James A. Steven; Nicholas E. Murray; Richard E. Kropf and Robert C. Fletcher.
Chester S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

## LODGES CONSTITUTED

Lawndale Lodge No. 995, Chicago, Illinois.

October 21, 1916.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Nicholas E. Murray.....as M. W. Grand Master
Hiram Vanderbilt.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Edw. W. Peterson.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Jas. A. Steven.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Richard E. Kropf.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Jampolis.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
A. O. Novander.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Robert Daly.....as R. W. Grand Orator
John C. Jones.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H .Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
R. J. Wiggins.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
A. A. Wiltse.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Claude R. Grover.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Jos. J. Shaw.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
John F. Schott.....as W. Grand Steward
Chas. J. Novak.....as W. Grand Steward
Edw. S. Licence.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
John J. Cerny.....as *Symbol Bearer
Anton Toman, Jr.....as *Symbol Bearer
Frank Fiala.....as *Symbol Bearer
James W. Jordan.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

Portage Park Lodge No. 1002, Chicago, Illinois.

October 23, 1916.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Jas. A. Steven.....as M. W. Grand Master
Nicholas E. Murray.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Jos. J. Shaw.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Edw. W. Peterson.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
B. Landon.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
R. Clark.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
A. O. Novander.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Robt. J. Daly.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Irvin Shuman.....as W. Grand Pursuivant

William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
Otto Gondolf.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
T. M. Avery.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
T. C. Netson.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Richard E. Kropf.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
R. N. Holt.....as W. Grand Steward
F. D. Ehlert.....as W. Grand Steward
Elof Peterson.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
L. A. Peters.....as *Symbol Bearer
F. A. Walford.....as *Symbol Bearer
C. W. Trick.....as *Symbol Bearer
C. H. Calvin.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robert Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

PAUL REVERE LODGE NO. 998, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

OCTOBER 25, 1916.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Jos. J. Shaw.....as M. W. Grand Master
N. E. Murray.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
J. A. Steven.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
J. F. Schott.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
T. W. Lewis.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Jampolis.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
A. O. Novander.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Claude R. Grover.....as R. W. Grand Orator
R. C. Clark.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
Maurice E. Wolfe.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
J. L. Anderson.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Hiram Vanderbilt.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Franklin L. Meyers.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Elof Peterson.....as W. Grand Steward
T. M. Avery.....as W. Grand Steward
H. C. Owen.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
J. W. Cushing.....as *Symbol Bearer
R. T. Oglesby.....as *Symbol Bearer
C. C. Coldsen.....as *Symbol Bearer
H. D. Tate.....as *Symbol Bearer
Chester S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

True Blue Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Chicago, Illinois.

October 26, 1916.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Ralph H. Wheeler.....M. W. Grand Master
Austin A. Scrogin.....R. W. Deputy Grand Master
J. E. Jeffers.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
E. E. Beach.....R. W. Junior Grand Warden
E. R. Turnbull.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R. W. Grand Secretary
R. Keene Ryan.....R. W. Grand Chaplain
A. J. Redmond.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Geo. J. Kurzenkanabe.....W. Grand Pursuivant
E. W. Peterson.....as W. Grand Marshal
Albert Jampolis.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Felix Von W. Wysow.....W. Grand Sword Bearer
E. E. Mills.....W. Senior Grand Deacon
N. E. Murray.....W. Junior Grand Deacon
R. E. Fletcher.....W. Grand Steward
H. W. Harvey.....W. Grand Steward
H. T. Burnap.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
C. Mathison.....as *Symbol Bearer
Franklin J. Peitz.....as *Symbol Bearer
Wm. J. Reichwein.....as *Symbol Bearer
Alex. Lundgren.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. S. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

Morgan Park Lodge No. 999, Chicago, Illinois.

October 27, 1916

Occasional Grand Lodge.

C. R. Grover.....as M. W. Grand Master
J. J. Shaw.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
N. E. Murray.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Jas. A. Steven.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Arthur Wilson.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Roscoe Clark.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
R. Keene Ryan.....R. W. Grand Chaplain
Richard E. Kropf.....R. W. Grand Orator
F. H. Simms.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
G. W. Cummings.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Felix Von W. Wysow.....W. Grand Sword Bearer

John Schott.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Elof Peterson.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
E. E. Stamp.....as W. Grand Steward
John C. Huggett.....as W. Grand Steward
Guy M. Chapman.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
Harris Eames.....as *Symbol Bearer
Charles H. Binney.....as *Symbol Bearer
Wm. A. Bosle.....as *Symbol Bearer
Mark H. Levy.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robert Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

INTEGRITY LODGE NO. 997, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

OCTOBER 28, 1916.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

James A. Steven.....as M. W. Grand Master
Claude R. Grover.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Jos. J. Shaw.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Nicholas E. Murray.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
John Schott.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Jampolis.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
A. O. Novander.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Abel M. White.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Otto J. Gondolf.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
W. O. Decies.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
S. E. Huenerfauth.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Richard E. Kropf.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Edw. B. Zahn.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
George W. Roarty.....as W. Grand Steward
Aaron C. Koethe.....as W. Grand Steward
Robert B. Bagby.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
F. L. Roderwald.....as *Symbol Bearer
W. P. Riediger.....as *Symbol Bearer
N. C. Kelsey.....as *Symbol Bearer
H. J. Croston.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

SUNRISE LODGE NO. 996, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

OCTOBER 30, 1916.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Richard E. Kropf.....as M. W. Grand Master
Robt. M. Holt.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Claude R. Grover.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Nicholas E. Murray.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Robt. J. Daly.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Jampolis.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
James A. Steven.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Wm. Phillips.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Paul A. Neuffer.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
Ira J. McDowell.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Elmer Edwards.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Joseph J. Shaw.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
John Scott.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
George E. Moore.....as W. Grand Steward
Fred Weiss.....as W. Grand Steward
Frank Simms.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
Thomas Hutchins Jordan.....as *Symbol Bearer
Clare Allen Livingston.....as *Symbol Bearer
Simon Bralower.....as *Symbol Bearer
Oliver Edward Beyler.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

LEYDEN LODGE NO. 993, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

NOVEMBER 8, 1916.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

James A. Steven.....as M. W. Grand Master
Jos. J. Shaw.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
R. E. Kropf.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
John Schott.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Joseph Klinge.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Jampolis.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
Geo. Palmer.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Robt. N. Holt.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Roscoe Clark.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
J. B. Grubbs.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer

Felix von W. Wysow.....W. Grand Sword Bearer
E. B. Zahn.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Geo. E. Franzen.....as W. Junior Grand Warden
Walter R. Schutt.....as W. Grand Steward
J. B. Zahn.....as W. Grand Steward
George Catto.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
Elmer H. Tiedemann.....as *Symbol Bearer
Arthur T. Tiedemann.....as *Symbol Bearer
Herbert W. Kirchhoff.....as *Symbol Bearer
Harold H. Marten.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

NIAGARA LODGE NO. 992, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.
NOVEMBER 9, 1916.
OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Jos. J. Shaw.....as M. W. Grand Master
Nicholas E. Murray.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Richard E. Kropf.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
John F. Schott.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Leopold Apple.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Jampolis.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
James A. Steven.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
J. B. Childs.....as R. W. Grand Orator
C. P. Crane.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
William Phillips.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
William Bursche.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Abraham Fieldinger.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
David Morris.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
J. R. H. Potts.....as W. Grand Steward
T. J. Fieldse.....as W. Grand Steward
Frank H. Simms.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
Bert E. Hunt.....as *Symbol Bearer
G. R. McClatchie.....as *Symbol Bearer
L. T. Larkins.....as *Symbol Bearer
J. H. Taylor.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

WAYFARERS LODGE NO. 1001, EVANSTON, ILLINOIS.

NOVEMBER 10, 1916

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

R. N. Holt.....as M. W. Grand Master
Jos. J. Shaw.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Nicholas Murray.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
John Schott.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Jervis O. Newton.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Roscoe Clark.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
James Steven.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
A. R. Barnhard.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Richard Kropf.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
D. C. Howe.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Felix von W. Wysow.....W. Grand Sword Bearer
Albert Jampolis.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Chas. Weishoff.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Elof Peterson.....as W. Grand Steward
A. E. Barelme.....as W. Grand Steward
James Barbour.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
David Filt.....as *Symbol Bearer
Chas. S. Harris.....as *Symbol Bearer
W. D. Barnes.....as *Symbol Bearer
Chas. A. Aiken.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

BAYLIS LODGE NO. 1000, BAYLIS, ILLINOIS.

NOVEMBER 15, 1916.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Everett L. Lawrence.....as M. W. Grand Master
W. W. Watson.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
A. C. Bancroft.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
C. P. Card.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
S. L. Griggs.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R. W. Grand Secretary
F. M. Strubinger.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
C. E. Beavers.....as R. W. Grand Orator
C. T. Beatty.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
C. L. Edwards.....as W. Grand Marshal
L. J. Callaway.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
C. J. Davis.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer

C. L. Morgan.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
I. L. Maxey.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Albert Minor.....as W. Grand Steward
Floyd O. Smith.....as W. Grand Steward
Wesley Curlis.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
James L. Watters.....as *Symbol Bearer
Howard Watson.....as *Symbol Bearer
Alva Kaylor.....as *Symbol Bearer
W. S. Gille.....as *Symbol Bearer
Chester S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

## CORNER STONES

Olney, Illinois.
April 30, 1917.
Occasional Grand Lodge.

Ralph H. Wheeler.....M. W. Grand Master
J. F. Athey.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
J. S. Freeman.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
R. E. Nelson.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
W. A. Cope.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Fred Beck.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
F. I. Mills.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
C. H. Martin.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Jacob McNorman.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
W. M. Lovens.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
F. M. Haskell.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
H. T. Flanders.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
S. C. Fulkerson.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
J. C. Ritter.....as W. Grand Steward
J. S. Howe.....as W. Grand Steward
G. D. Slanker.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
J. W. Goddis.....as †Principal Architect
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

Masonic Temple, Maywood, Illinois.
May 19, 1917.
Occasional Grand Lodge.

Ralph H. Wheeler.....M. W. Grand Master
Claude R. Grover.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Edw. C. Mullen.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Elmer E. Beach.....R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Robt. J. Daly.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R. W. Grand Secretary
Albert Jampolis.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
J. W. Barker.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Geo. Kurzenknabe.....W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
Robert C. Fletcher.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
A. H. Mussing.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer

N. E. Murray.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
L. J. Frahn.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Andrew Jackson Knopf.....as W. Grand Steward
C. E. Kinsey.....as W. Grand Steward
J. W. Turney.....as W. Grand Steward
O. J. Westcott.....as W. Grand Steward
David D. King.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
Ebin E. Roberts.....as †Principal Architect
Chester S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

School Building, Warrensburg, Illinois.

June 12, 1917.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

A. H. Scrogin.....as M. W. Grand Master
Ralph F. Bear.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Geo. H. Hawkyard.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
W. A. Melton.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
David F. Bear.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
W. H. Perkins.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
J. S. Smith.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
W. S. Dando.....as R. W. Grand Orator
J. J. Cross.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
J. T. Tucker.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Chester A. Backer.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
J. M. Eyman.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
M. L. Downey.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
D. J. Yoint.....as W. Grand Steward
C. H. Faith.....as W. Grand Steward
J. H. Harris.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
J. E. Zeefall.....as †Principal Architect
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

Masonic Temple, Blue Mound, Illinois.

June 28, 1917.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Austin H. Scrogin.....as M. W. Grand Master
J. M. Willard.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
J. E. Jeffers.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
W. P. Jones.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden

Albert A. McClure.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Robt. R. McClure.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
W. F. Huff.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Rev. R. Keene Ryan.....R. W. Grand Orator
W. M. Mesnard.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
W. O. Mathew.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
C. H. Moomey.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
C. E. Bradley.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
H. C. Schultz.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
C. R. Robbins.....as W. Grand Steward
E. F. Dunbar.....as W. Grand Steward
W. H. Bean.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
Ralph H. Bean.....as †Principal Architect
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

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JULY 23, 1917.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Wm. H. Bied.....as M. W. Grand Master
David Elliott Bruffett.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
James Ellsworth Jeffers.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Arthur E. Wood.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Wm. Grant Spurgin.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Benjamin Bing.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
John Jacob Wilson.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Chester Wm. Richards.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Boyd Scott Blaine.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Nicholas E. Murray.....as W. Grand Marshal
James Burns.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
John W. Herrijan.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Peter Furst.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Nathaniel P. Stockwill.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Eugene Christopher.....as W. Grand Steward
Isaac Funk.....as W. Grand Steward
Francis Marion Porter.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
John Willard Bailey.....as †principal Architect
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

Federal Building, Charleston, Illinois.

September 18, 1917.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

A. H. Scrogin.....as M. W. Grand Master
S. A. Wright.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
G. N. Todd.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
J. E. Jeffers.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
J. H. Goodwin.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Deloitt Elwood.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
A. C. Sellers.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Rev. Walter E. Aitkens.....as R. W. Grand Orator
A. T. Walters.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
Wm. Lovins.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
O. B. Root.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
T. A. Fulton.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
E. E. Hellowell.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
W. H. Nehrling.....as W. Grand Steward
W. C. Anderson.....as W. Grand Steward
F. N. Todd.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
E. M. Cornell.....as †Principal Architect
C. S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

## DEDICATIONS

Masonic Hall, Virden, Illinois.

October 18, 1916.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Austin H. Scrogin.....as M. W. Grand Master
W. P. Wall.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
D. G. Fitzgerrell.....R. W. Senior Grand Warden
F. O. Lorton.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Arthur S. Allen.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
F. J. Bradley.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
F. L. Everett.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Rev. R. Keene Ryan.....R. W. Grand Orator
C. W. Kessler.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
J. R. Woodward.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
B. Barcus.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
H. S. Wiley.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
E. R. Welch.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
A. G. Tress.....as W. Grand Steward
J. Stewart Clark.....as W. Grand Steward
Jas. V. McCullough.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
L. F. Becker.....as †Principal Architect
Roy Krebaum.....as *Symbol Bearer
A. M. Shutt.....as *Symbol Bearer
A. V. Woodward.....as *Symbol Bearer
L. P. Bradley.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

Plainville Masonic Hall, Plainville, Illinois.

November 1, 1916.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

J. L. Kleme.....as M. W. Grand Master
Geo. Zoller.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Wm. Bradley.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
E. E. Lawrence.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
J. Balzer.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R. W. Grand Secretary
G. F. McCumber.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
W. Schlagenhalt.....as R. W. Grand Orator

Geo. W. Cyrus.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
H. G. Henry.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
O. Hudson.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bunto.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
B. Higgems.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
R. Leggett.....as W. Grand Steward
J. Taylor.....as W. Grand Steward
E. Jacobs.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
C. F. Eichenauer.....as †Principal Architect
J. W. Hart.....as *Symbol Bearer
Wm. F. Henderson.....as *Symbol Bearer
E. Bates.....as *Symbol Bearer
C. H. Martin.....as *Symbol Bearer
Chas. Gabriel.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

Masonic Hall, Rutland, Illinois.

November 29, 1916.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Austin H. Scrogin.....as M. W. Grand Master
B. F. Colehower.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Wm. Schoenneshoefer.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
W. E. Moffitt.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
F. J. Ames.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
J. C. Huetson.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
W. S. Morrison.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
W. O. Ensign.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Perry Dakin.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
H. C. Fomey.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
S. A. Roberts.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
E. R. Spenser.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Chas. Knoop.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Thos. Judd.....as W. Grand Steward
G. F. Turner.....as W. Grand Steward
Ed. Mathis.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
H. S. Baer.....as †Principal Architect
M. O. Hiatt.....as *Symbol Bearer
W. J. Johnston.....as *Symbol Bearer
F. J. Davies.....as *Symbol Bearer
Austin Gates.....as *Symbol Bearer
Robt. Dowie.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

MASONIC TEMPLE, ROGERS PARK, ILLINOIS.

MARCH 12, 1917.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Ralph H. Wheeler.....M. W. Grand Master
Robt. N. Holt.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Nicholas E. Murray.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Elmer E. Beach.....R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Robt. C. Fletcher.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Edw. W. Peterson.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
Rev. R. Keene Ryan.....R. W. Grand Chaplain
Amos Pettibone.....as R. W. Grand Orator
John J. Schott.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
T. M. Avery.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Felix Von W. Wysow.....W. Grand Sword Bearer
David D. King.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Wm. Tinsley.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Jas. A. Steven.....as W. Grand Steward
Robt. R. Pegram.....as W. Grand Steward
Elmer D. Brothers.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
E .S. Summers.....as †Principal Architect
Myron Newman.....as *Symbol Bearer
Sidney T. Jessop.....as *Symbol Bearer
John Fanner.....as *Symbol Bearer
Wm. J. Stuart.....as *Symbol Bearer
Chester S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

MASONIC TEMPLE, DANVILLE, ILLINOIS.

APRIL 10, 1917.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Ralph H. Wheeler.....M. W. Grand Master
J. N. Fairchilds.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
C. W. Cofer.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
H. P. Blose.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
C. E. Olmstead.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R. W. Grand Secretary
G. Haven Stephens.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
Rev. R. Keene Ryan.....R. W. Grand Orator
W. R. Homada.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
W. P. Jones.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer

Ray K. Wright.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
J. E. Jeffers.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
M. A. Howard.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
A. E. Wood.....as W. Grand Steward
G. Cockerton.....as W. Grand Steward
O. J. Chapman.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
L. F. W. Stuebe.....as †Principal Architect
Z. S. Saylor.....as *Symbol Bearer
H. E. McCandus.....as *Symbol Bearer
J. E. Shephard.....as *Symbol Bearer
J. W. Smalley.....as *Symbol Bearer
Chester S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

Masonic Hall, Camp Point, Illinois.

June 6, 1917.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Ralph H. Wheeler.....M. W. Grand Master
Austin H. Scrogin.....R. W. Deputy Grand Master
A. E. Wood.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
J. S. Klemme.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Geo. Zoller.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R. W. Grand Secretary
Lyman M. Greenman.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
E. H. Thomas.....as R. W. Grand Orator
J. L. Brearton.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
Warren King.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
H. L. Kelly.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Emmett Howard.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Evert Lawrence.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Wm. C. Bradley.....as W. Grand Steward
Peter H. Odenweller.....as W. Grand Steward
S. I. Bragg.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
Lambert Huber.....as †Principal Architect
R. F. Humble.....as *Symbol Bearer
J. L. Pittman.....as *Symbol Bearer
A. D. Spence.....as *Symbol Bearer
H. S. Blood.....as *Symbol Bearer
Chester S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

Masonic Temple, Olney, Illinois.

September 10, 1917.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

A. H. Scrogin.....as M. W. Grand Master
J. E. Jeffers.....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
C. A. Stillwell.....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
C. H. Hambleton.....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
W. A. Cope.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
W. F. Beck.....as R. W. Grand Secretary
J. C. Ritter.....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
C. H. Martin.....as R. W. Grand Orator
Earl Eichen.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Wm. H. Bied.....W. Grand Marshal
C. M. Piper.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
J. Von Gunten.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
H. Godeke.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
J. I. Stoll.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
O. R. Van Almen.....as W. Grand Steward
T. N. Christy.....as W. Grand Steward
G. D. Slanker.....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
J. W. Gaddis.....as †Principal Architect
J. C. Howard.....as *Symbol Bearer
T. F. Hoopes.....as *Symbol Bearer
S. H. Barker.....as *Symbol Bearer
W. H. Hosttler.....as *Symbol Bearer
C. S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

Masonic Temple, Freeburg, Illinois.

October 6, 1917.

Occasional Grand Lodge.

Samuel E. Grigg .....as M. W. Grand Master
Thomas A. Wright .....as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
Richard Aber .....as R. W. Senior Grand Warden
Tred Breautigam .....as R. W. Junior Grand Warden
Henry J. Weaver .....as R. W. Grand Secretary
Fred H. Coombs.....as R. W. Grand Treasurer
George Wallason .....as R. W. Grand Chaplain
William A. Hough .....as R. W. Grand Orator
Harry E. Waldt .....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Ned Summers .....as W. Grand Standard Bearer

James Carr.....as R. W. Grand Sword Bearer
William Daniels .....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Phillip C. Butts.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
William Houck .....as W. Grand Steward
Charles Johnson .....as W. Grand Steward
Louis G. Joseph .....as W. Grand Steward
Marshall Schneider .....as W. Grand Steward
Chris Heligenstein .....as Master of the Oldest Lodge
Charles Pertie .....as Symbol Bearer
George Kessler, Jr.....as Symbol Bearer
Geo. Wade .....as Symbol Bearer
Charles L. Tegtmeyer .....as Symbol Bearer
Oscar Webber .....as Grand Marshal
George Catto.....as Bro. Grand Tyler

## REPORTS OF R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

### FIRST DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., AUG. 9, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I have this day sent in the last report from my district for the masonic year.

The visits to the various lodges in the district during the year have been unusually pleasant, and I am pleased to report that the general conditions are very gratifying. Every lodge in this district is in splendid financial condition and will be able to meet the burden which the war may bring upon the lodges in a very efficient manner. The different lodges have had an abundance of petitions and the character of the work is of high grade. Nearly every lodge in this district has one or more grand lecturers in its membership, thus giving the advantage of constant instruction in the work. The numerous visits which you have been enabled to pay to lodges in this district have been of great encouragement to the brethren.

Thanking you for the appointment which I received at your hands, and congratulating you upon the success of your administration in the office, I have the honor to remain

Fraternally yours,

ROBERT N. HOLT,
*D.D.G.M. First District.*

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### SECOND DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., AUG. 25, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I herewith submit my report as your representative in the 2nd Masonic District for the Masonic year now nearing its close.

During the year I visited every lodge in the district, many of them several times. I noted their condition from fraternal, ritualistic and financial standpoints and I am much pleased to say all are in excellent condition. Detailed reports covering these matters together with the recommendations made to the lodges have heretofore been made.

My reception by the officers and brethren of the lodges has been uniformly most cordial and courteous, and every suggestion offered has been

very graciously accepted. No irregularities of any consequence have occurred and nothing has developed tending to disturb the harmony prevailing, and it is a matter of gratification to be able to say that the brethren in every lodge in the district are fulfilling their duties and obligations as masons. Every lodge in the district has taken appropriate action to meet the conditions that have arisen and that are likely to arise by reason of those of their members who may be called into national service.

Acting as your proxy, I officiated at the institution of Portage Park Lodge No. 1002 on October 23, 1916, Integrity Lodge No. 997 on October 28, 1916, and Leyden Lodge No. 993 on November 8, 1916. Also at the institution of Birchwood Lodge U. D. on July 3, 1917, reports of which have heretofore been made. Since its institution, the officers and members of Birchwood Lodge have been working in a pleasing spirit of harmony, and with efficiency and I trust their affairs may receive full approval.

Now thanking you for your many courtesies, for the confidence you have composed in me and with kind personal regards, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

JAMES A. STEVEN,
*D.D.G.M. Second District.*

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## THIRD DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., SEPT. 17, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I take pleasure in submitting my second annual report as district deputy grand master of the third district. Since my last report I have visited every lodge in my district, many of them several times, and have made detailed reports as to their condition and their needs.

The lodges in the third district, taken collectively, are in excellent financial condition, are maintaining a high standard in their ritualistic work and harmony, good fellowship and loyalty prevail. Most of them have heeded the call to husband their resources against the day when war conditions in our country may bring to them extraordinary demands for fraternal aid.

In conclusion I wish again to express to you my deep appreciation of the trust which you have reposed in me, and the pleasure which I have experienced in working with you to strengthen and advance the cause of Masonry in Illinois, and if my services as district deputy have tended even in a small measure to bring about this result, then I feel that my efforts have not been in vain.

Fraternally yours,

RICHARD E. KROPF,
*D.D.G.M. Third District.*

## FOURTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., SEPT. 11, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I submit the following report of the 4th district for the past year:

All of the lodges have been officially visited, their records examined, their general conditions observed and inquired into, and a full, detailed report made of each.

A most pleasing state of harmony prevails and the larger purposes of the institution are receiving the support of both officers and members. Present world conditions apparently have awakened all to a realization of the vital necessity for preparing to assume additional responsibilities and I believe a policy of conservation hitherto unknown is being followed.

It was my pleasure to constitute Morgan Park Lodge, No. 999, October 27, 1916, and to participate in the constitution of nine other lodges in Cook County last Fall.

Acting as your proxy I had the honor to officiate at the institution of John Paul Jones Lodge, U. D., at Lawndale Masonic Temple, July 17, 1917. I have since visited this lodge and am convinced their petition for a charter should receive the favorable consideration of the Grand Lodge.

Again thanking you for the many courtesies extended to me during the past two years, and with every good wish, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

CLAUDE R. GROVER,
*D.D.G.M. Fourth District*

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## FIFTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., SEPT. 10, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In submitting to you this, my annual report, as D. D. G. M. of the Fifth District, I am pleased and much gratified to state that peace and perfect harmony prevail in all the lodges in this district, and that the ritualistic work performed in most of the lodges is of the highest standard.

I have officially visited each lodge in my district, some of them a number of times, during the year, as shown by reports heretofore submitted, and have always met with the most courteous treatment and received an earnest co-operation from the officers and members of lodges in all suggestions offered for the good of the lodge or the fraternity.

Acting as your proxy, I had the honor of constituting Paul Revere Lodge No. 998 on October 25, 1916, and on November 9, 1916, of constituting Niagara Lodge No. 992, and during this year of instituting Loyal Lodge on April 6th; Parkway Lodge on May 17th, and Honor Lodge on June 20th, under dispensation, and commend to your consideration the officers and members of these lodges for the progress made by them, as shown by their reports submitted.

In conclusion, I wish to thank you for your many courtesies to me, and to state that while my duties have at times been arduous and called for much time from my profession, yet I feel that I am amply re-paid by the great honor you conferred upon me and the satisfaction I feel of having done my best for the fraternity and yourself.

Accept my hearty congratulations for your very successful administration, and for the success of your most earnest efforts in upbuilding the true principles of our institution, which has inured to the benefit of the fraternity not only in this jurisdiction, but throughout the country.

Wishing you continued success and prosperity, believe me,

Fraternally yours,

JOS. J. SHAW.
*D.D.G.M. Fifth District.*

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## SIXTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., SEPT. 7, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—Complying with Section 166 of Code, I herewith submit my report as your representative in the Sixth District. During the year I have visited every one of the twenty-four lodges in my district, most of them twice and many of them several times. I have inspected the records and accounts of each lodge and have forwarded reports on same to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

I am pleased to be able to report that harmony and good fellowship prevail throughout this district. The lodges are all well housed and in good financial condition. The ritualistic work in most lodges is of a high order, and many of this years' masters hold commissions as grand lecturers. The secretaries I find are a very competent set of men, but I again feel obliged to criticize the annual reports of many lodges and the lack of uniformity in this most important part of the lodge records. Many lodges heretofore simply made a minute in their records that such reports were read and have then placed the reports themselves in the files among other lodge papers, so that in event of the papers being lost, there is no record of

their contents. I am still of the opinion that there should be some provision made for uniformity in these reports (many of which at present attract attention only for the information which they fail to give). There should also be a requirement that they be spread in full on the records of the lodge.

On October 21st, 1916, acting as your special deputy, I had the honor of constituting Lawndale Lodge No. 995, and on April 5th, 1917, acting in a similar capacity, I had the honor of instituting Fair Oaks Lodge, U. D. It was my privilege during the year to participate in laying of the corner stones of two masonic temples and one public building, the dedicating of two masonic temples, the instituting of two lodges, U. D., and the constituting of nine lodges; also many other functions.

In performing the duties of the office I have always had the hearty support of the lodges and their officers, and wish at this time to acknowledge my sincere appreciation of the same.

In conclusion, permit me to thank you again for the honor you have conferred upon me, and for the uniform courtesy you have shown me at all times. With best wishes for your future success, I am,

Fraternally yours,

NICHOLAS E. MURRAY,
*D.D.G.M. Sixth District.*

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## SEVENTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., SEPT. 8, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In submitting my report as your representative of the Seventh District, I am pleased to inform you that Masonry in said district is in a good healthy condition, and I found the laws, both Ritual and Blue Book, with few exceptions strictly adhered to.

I desire also to state that to date I have officially visited all the lodges in my district, with but two exceptions; examined the records, etc., thereto appertaining, and am pleased to inform you that I found everything in splendid condition, and think that the lodges should consider themselves fortunate in having such good secretarial timber. The two lodges not yet visited I intend to call upon in the very near future, and thus complete the series.

I wish also to say that, to the best of my ability, I have attended to all the duties of my office, and assure you that the possession of the office I consider a great honor, and have found both pleasure and profit in rendering

this service to Masonry, and thank you very much for giving me the appointment.

With every good word and wish, I have the honor to remain,

Fraternally yours,

HIRAM VANDERBILT,
*D.D.G.M. Seventh District.*

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## EIGHTH DISTRICT.

WAUKEGAN, ILL., SEPT. 15, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In submitting my annual report for the Eighth District, I am not fully satisfied. I have been unable to make the visits to the lodges that the office requires. With your consent Bro. Charles J. Wightman of Grays Lake has rendered valuable assistance in McHenry County, which has been fully appreciated. The lodges are in a prosperous condition, but I feel that a better knowledge of the Ritual as well as the constitution and By-Laws is much needed. Many have procured fire proof safes for their records, which I believe is a step in the right direction.

No matters that could not be easily adjusted by referring to the Blue Book, and of these I have already informed you, have been presented. I installed the officers of two of the lodges and have been most cordially received by all whom I have met throughout the district. I would that I could have rendered better service but circumstances willed otherwise.

Congratulating you upon your success and thanking you for the honor conferred, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JAY L. BREWSTER.
*D.D.G.M. Eighth District.*

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## NINTH DISTRICT.

BELVIDERE, ILL., SEPT. 1, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I submit this, my annual report for the 9th Masonic District. I am proud to say that each lodge in the district, with all work completed, will show an increase in membership for the year, and financially each lodge is in better shape than a year ago and the interest of the craft is unabated. Those having outstanding building debts have in each case decreased their liabilities.

A. W. Rawson Lodge No. 145 lost their building and all their properties except the charter and current records, by fire. This occurred in February. With commendable zeal the brethren began at once on a plan for rebuilding and with such good results that the new temple is almost completed. It is a great improvement over the old building and stands as convincing evidence of zeal and devotion of our brethren in Pecatonica.

Following your suggestion, the brethren of the district gave excellent support to the Liberty Loan, a special report of which will be rendered, and in every movement, involving the comfort of the soldier or the support and welfare of the government, the masons of this district, as in all others, have not forgotten the allegiance due to their country. I have suggested to each lodge the advisability of keeping a record of their members who go to war, showing the name, rank and military connection of each together with any other vital facts resultant from their future military service. In many lodges "Rolls of Honor" containing the names, and in some cases the photographs of these soldier brethren have been prepared. Steps have been taken to assure the comfort of these brethren and of their families.

Peace and harmony has prevailed in all the district throughout the year and I am glad indeed, that the district has contributed its share to the great success which has marked your administration of the office of Grand Master.

Congratulating you on this success and with a wish for your future happiness and success, I am

Fraternally yours,

JAMES M. HUFF,
*D.D.G.M. Ninth District.*

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## TENTH DISTRICT.

WARREN, ILL., AUG. 29, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—It is with pleasure I report to you a very prosperous year for the Lodges of the tenth district and to assure you that it has been a pleasure to visit the different lodges and see the interest taken.

Within a few days Milledgeville Lodge 345 will dedicate one of the finest Masonic Temples in the district, and Plum River 554 will celebrate their fiftieth anniversary with one of the best records of any lodge in the Tenth.

A large number attended the School at Dixon and it was one of the best conducted Schools I ever attended.

In closing I want to thank you for the honor you have conferred on me and congratulate you on your very efficient administration.

Fraternally yours,

DR. J. F. MILLER,
*D.D.G.M. Tenth District.*

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## ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

DEKALB, ILL., JULY 31, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In reporting to you the condition of the lodges in the eleventh district, I can say that nearly every lodge has made improvements in some branch of its work.

In several lodges every recommendation made to them has been followed and I feel sure that next year will find the district, as a whole, in fine condition.

I have visited every lodge in the district at least once and find complete harmony prevailing.

Congratulating you upon your successful administration and thanking you for the honor of serving you, I am,

Fraternally yours,

THOS. H. HOBBS,
*D.D.G.M. Eleventh District.*

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## TWELFTH DISTRICT.

ELGIN, ILL., JULY 25, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I have practically completed my third year as D.D.G.M. of the 12th Dist. and in accordance with custom, desire therefore to submit the following report.

I have chosen to mention in this report only a few matters which I deemed of greatest importance.

Considering the disturbed condition of our great country—the same good feeling and enthusiasm that has always been noticeable,—prevails.

I found very few irregularities and every where was I most courteously received. Other impressive points were loyalty, sincerity and a desire to do the proper thing at the proper time.

I found the membership always interested in things that pertain to the elevation of Masonry.

Many lodges were invited to make pilgrimages to other lodges and in nearly every instance did I receive a special invitation. For these I was grateful and attended when possible. Have always considered these get-together meetings of great benefit to the craft. They not only get us acquainted with one another but develope a deeper fraternal spirit and a mutual helpfulness not to be obtained in any other way. The following little quotation perhaps expresses my meaning more clearly.

"If I knew you and you knew me—
If both of us could clearly see,
And with an inner sight divine
The meaning of your heart and mine,
I'm sure that we would differ less
And clasp our hands in friendliness;
Our thoughts would pleasantly agree
If I knew you and you knew me."

There are other points that might have been included but many of these have been mentioned in the detail report sheets which were forwarded to Bro. Barclay after each visit.

Thanking you again for the appointment, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

C. F. Wm. Schultz,
*D.D.G.M. Twelfth District.*

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## THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

Dixon, Ill., Sept. 7, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—In submitting this report will say that during the present Masonic year many interesting events have taken place in the thirteenth district. The one that should receive most prominent mention occurred on Monday evening, November 6th, 1916, at Dixon, Illinois, when Friendship Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary. Among the distinguished guests present were Ralph H. Wheeler, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Illinois, R. Keene Ryan, Most Worshipful Grand Chaplain, B. A. Cottlow and John D. Charters, Right Worshipful Grand Lecturers and John T. Miller, Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the Tenth District. Most pleasing and interesting addresses were made by the Grand Master and Grand Chaplain. Brother Edward H. Brewster of Friendship Lodge gave a very accurate and profitable historical sketch of the origin and growth of Friendship Lodge. In a

clear and logical arrangement he related to the Brethren many of the interesting things that occurred at the early meetings of the Lodge. He stated that Friendship Lodge received a dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky authorizing it to work as a Lodge, and held its first meeting in the Town of Dixon on November 6th, 1840, but that it received its charter, which is dated October 6th, 1841, from the Grand Lodge of Illinois. Fifteen of the eighteen Lodges of the thirteenth district were represented on this occasion.

A very successful school of instruction was conducted at Dixon by Brother S. C. D. Rea, Right Worshipful Grand Examiner, which was largely attended by Masons from this and surrounding districts.

On my visitations this year I was pleased to find that many of the suggestions made by me one year ago when visiting the Lodges of my district had been complied with. Several of the Lodges have purchased new safes for the proper care and preservation of their records. Others have purchased new furniture and equipment necessary for the comfort of their members and the proper conferring of the degrees.

Assuring you that it has been a great pleasure to me to serve as your representative during the past two years, and congratulating you upon your successful administration, I am

Fraternally yours,

MARK C. KELLER,
*D.D.G.M. Thirteenth District.*

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## FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL., SEPT. 10, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—Masonic conditions in the Fourteenth District require but little comment on my part in rendering the annual report prescribed by our Grand Lodge regulations. By correspondence and otherwise, I have kept in fairly close touch with the work of the various lodges and it appears that nearly all of them have been unusually prosperous. I was called upon to preside at one Masonic trial, but, to my recollection, this was the only instance where the peace and harmony of the brethren were in any way disturbed. The only event of special significance was the institution, on September 5, 1917, of Moline Lodge, U. D., which was launched with the unanimous approval of the three nearest lodges, none objecting. This new lodge will undoubtedly be a prosperous one, as it has a splendid field and during its probationary period will enjoy the expert guidance of Bro. George E. Carlson, R. W. Grand Lecturer, as its first Master. A new masonic tem-

ple is in course of erection by Andalusia Lodge No. 516. Other lodges throughout the district are likewise in a flourishing condition, fully equipped to do standard work, and giving due attention to the duties of masonry. Several have subscribed for Liberty bonds. Much has been done in a social way and the most cordial fraternal feeling prevails throughout the district. Fortunately, there has been little, if anything, to criticize and the labors I have been called upon to perform have been of the most agreeable nature in all cases.

Again thanking you for the honor conferred upon me in my appointment and for the many courtesies received at your hands, I am

Fraternally yours,

C. D. Taylor,
*D.D.G.M. Fourteenth District.*

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**FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.**

Lacon, Ill., Sept. 29, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—In this my annual report I am pleased to state that the lodges throughout this district taken collectively show a substantial increase in membership. Several of the weaker lodges manifest renewed interest and although one or two have failed to maintain their former standard I believe their lack of zeal is only temporary. The nations call to military service has deprived Wenona Lodge No. 344 of its officers, pursuant to your command I will hold an election to fill the vacancies. At the close of my second year of service under your successful administration I wish to thank you for your kind consideration. May your counsel attend us for many years.

Fraternally yours,

Charles W. Coker,
*D.D.G.M. Fifteenth District.*

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**SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.**

Utica, Ill., Sept. 16, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—Business prevented me from visiting all the Lodges in the district, as I should have.

Yet I am able to report a very prosperous condition in nearly all the lodges.

The State school at LaSalle was a grand success, and much interest was manifested by all in attendance.

I have enjoyed the work, and assure you I appreciate the honor you have conferred on me.

Congratulating you on your successful administration, and with best wishes for your future success, I am

Fraternally yours,

J. F. Blakeslee,
*D.D.G.M. Sixteenth District.*

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## SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

Joliet, Ill., Sept. 22, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—Herewith report on 17th District for the Year 1917:

All our fifteen lodges are in splendid condition financially and industriously—nearly all doing good work—three or four need a little more "boosting" along, ritualistic work, but in some of these cases what is lost in this line is more than made up by conscientious devotion to the great principles of Masonry. So I feel assured that through-out old 17th we are meeting all expectations in the making of History as Masons.

Irregularities become less frequent from sources where formerly they existed, and with a little more service through our D. D. Grand Lecturers these will become more and more corrected until a degree of general uniformity will prevail, such as will be an honor to the Fraternity and more of an incentive to excellence. May this condition become a universal one to the Glory of our great Order.

The year has been most strenuous, and so many unusual conditions have demanded the attention and service of our Brethren that Lodge attendance has necessarily declined, and in individual cases where certain brothers are looked upon as a criterion for some other brother, and sometimes brethren, it is quite perceptable. However there is no evidence of a loss of interest, but rather the reverse, for the reason that never in our Masonic lives has the Lodge been more appreciated, nor in tangible evidence than during the past year, and I am convinced that beyond a doubt our Great Masonic principles and virtues will be exemplified, through-out the long course from our homes, our lodges, our jurisdictions right up to the raging torrent of Battle-Blood and Death, what a glorious patriotic principal to have so firmly established within the heart of our brethren in freemasonry, our duties at home to those engaged in this frightful war becomes more extended as days

go by; and in this let us hope we may not hesitate to accept the responsibilities with the same degree of fortitude that has in all our past designated us as just and upright Masons.

The labors of your Deputy the past year has been as formally, one of greatest pleasure in realizing, with gratitude, that I had the honor of being one of the "unit" contributing to your "grandly" successful administration, and for many years to come the name of Ralph H. Wheeler will be a fond memory in the hearts of Illinois Masons. I appreciate the honor you confered on me when you called me as your D. D. G. M. and trust nothing may ever occur that may reflect on your judgment.

May your life be *as* happy, useful, and beneficial in the future as it has been in the past and when the Grand Warden of Heaven shall call you to that Lodge above may you hear that welcome aplaudit "*Well done*, good and faithful servant; enter into the joy of thy Lord."

I shall ever hold you in memory as one who has made our order "better" for having directed and encouraged it with an inspiration to more exalted aims and attainments.

Fraternally yours,

J. W. Brockway,
*D.D.G.M. Seventeenth District.*

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## EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

Sheldon, Ill., Sept. 18, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—As another Masonic year is drawing to a close I herewith submit my report as your representative in this the Eighteenth District.

I have nothing out of the ordinary to report, as nothing of an unpleasant nature has occurred to mar the peace and harmony of the craft and the Lodges throughout the district so far as I have been able to learn are in a prosperous condition.

Schools of instruction were held in a number of lodges during the winter and spring with a great deal of interest manifested and much good accomplished.

In conclusion allow me to congratulate you on this, your second successful administration. Thanking you for the honor confered, I am,

Fraternally yours,

Wm. A. Ward,
*D.D.G.M. Eighteenth District.*

## NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

SAUNEMIN, ILL., AUG. 3, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—As another masonic year is drawing to a close, as your representative of the Nineteenth District, I am pleased to report to you that I have visited, officially, each Lodge in the District and found a majority of them with sufficient designs on their Trestle Boards to keep them at labor most of the time.

The financial condition of the District, as a whole, is very good.

I desire to thank you for the honor of representing you in this District during your second years administration and assure you that if I have failed in any particular to perform the duties of a District Deputy it has been due to a lack of knowledge and not neglect. The work has certainly been a very great pleasure to me.

In closing I beg to congratulate and thank you for the many broad business principles which you have injected into our beloved order.

Fraternally yours,

C. L. TANNER.
*D.D.G.M. Nineteenth District.*

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## TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

WASHBURN, ILL., SEPT. 11, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In submitting my report of the twentieth district it gives me great pleasure to say that the Lodges are all in a very prosperous condition and the standard of work being done by the smaller Lodges where the workers are few will compare favorably with that being done by the larger Lodges when the workers are many.

At the unanimous request of the representatives of all the Lodges we held a District School at Peoria under the direction of the Five Grand Lecturers of this District which was largely attended and the interest and goodfellowship most satisfactory.

The Lodges all over the District are feeling the effect of the World War and many of our young men have gone and many more will go in the near future to make up the National Army.

Thanking you for the honor of having represented you in this district and for the many favors shown me, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. H. IRELAND,
*D.D.G.M. Twentieth District.*

## TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

ALTONA, ILL., SEPT. 1, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—As the masonic year is drawing to a close I am reminded that the time has arrived for my annual report which I have the honor to submit.

I have had the pleasure of visiting all of the lodges of the district, some of them a number of times, and on each occasion the brethren have made my visit very pleasant.

I found that most of the lodges have been doing considerable work and were in a flourishing condition, as you already know "from my reports at the time of my visits" it has been necessary to call the attention of some of the lodges to errors and neglects in important matters, however in each instance I have received assurance that all matters referred to would have proper attention.

The most important event of the year was the state school of instruction held at Galesburg Feb. 27th, and 28th, and March 1st, the school was largely attended and a success in every way, the Board of Grand Examiners through their zeal and untiring efforts, proved their worth and won the favor and esteem of all in attendance. Your visit and talk at this school was enjoyed and very much appreciated by all and I assure you there is another big welcome awaiting you when you again visit the 21st district.

I wish to thank you for the honor conferred and congratulate you on your very successful administration.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

C. C. SAWYER,
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-first District.*

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## TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

KIRKWOOD, ILL., JULY 30, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—It is a pleasure to submit to you my report as district deputy grand master of the twenty-second district.

The past year has been a prosperous year in this district and with but few exceptions all the lodges have shared in the prosperity. In most cases the suggestions offered by me last year to the different lodges have been followed and I find the lodges generally working harmoniously.

I have greatly enjoyed the visits to the various lodges and renewing old acquaintances.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me and congratulating you on your very successful administration, I am,

Fraternally yours,

F. E. EDGERTON,
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-second District.*

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## TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

MACOMB, ILL., AUG. 20, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—It becomes my duty to report to you concerning masonic affairs in this district. I have visited all the lodges, several of them twice.

The lodges in this district are all in a prosperous condition with the exception of two. They seem to have lost all interest in masonry, but hope they will revive and survive.

The report of the lodges sent in show pretty well their condition. In most cases their financial is good.

Visiting the lodges, instructing them and secretaries answering questions has been the extent of my work.

Thanking you for the honor conferred and hoping I have not failed in carrying out your wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

SIMON P. ODENWELLER,
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-third District.*

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## TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

BOWEN, ILL., SEPT. 14, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—As your representative, I herewith submit my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master, Twenty-fourth District.

I have been in every lodge in the District and rendered reports to Committee on Charter Lodges, but owing to weather conditions and other unavoidable circumstances, was unable to be present at some of the lodges when in session, but have looked over the books and equipments, and consulted with the officers of every lodge. Most of the lodges in the District

have shown good substantial growth and doing fairly good work. A few of them, however, seem to be on a dead center, and need some outside force to get them started. One or two of the lodges have shown no growth during the last two years.

Have not heard of any friction within the District, and am pleased to report peace and harmony prevailing.

I congratulate you on your two years of very successful administration, and again thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me.

Fraternally yours,

ENOCH H. FLEMING.
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-fourth District.*

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## TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

NEW HOLLAND, ILL., SEPT. 24, 1917

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I herewith submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-fifty District. During the past year I have visited each Lodge in the District at least once and some of them several times. In all my visits I have been received with the greatest courtesy. What instruction I have given and every suggestion I have made have been, apparently, thankfully received. Nothing requiring official action has been brought to my attention and the few questions submitted have been easily answered by referring to the Blue Book.

I have been called upon to conduct several Masonic Funerals and to install the Officers of several Lodges, most of my activity however has been promoting Schools of Instruction. I arranged early in the year to hold several Schools of Instruction in the District. Schools of three days each were held at Delavan with Bro. H. S. Wiley Grand Examiner in charge, the State-District at Pekin with Bro. R. O. Davenport Grand Examiner in charge, at Mt. Pulaski and Mackinaw with Bro. C. W. Kessler Grand Lecturer in charge and at Latham and New Holland local Schools were held by myself. These Schools were well scattered over the District and every Lodge in the District, except one, has been well represented. It was my privilege to attend every session of the above mentioned Schools and I feel that much good has been done, however there is yet plenty of the Lodges in need of instruction.

While I had made most of my visits before war was declared I have learned from reliable sources that many of the Brethren have joined the colors, quite a number of them being officers of Lodges. The Red Cross

Society is well organized through this part of the country, every little village has its Chapter.

Several of the Lodges have invested some of their surplus funds in Liberty Loan Bonds. On behalf of the Brethren of the District I wish to thank you for locating one of the State-District Schools in our District. We are also indebted to you for two Official visits during the year, the same being in Delavan Lodge No. 156 and Pekin Lodge No. 29. In conclusion I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me and congratulate you on your successful administration.

Fraternally yours,

A. T. Peters,
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-fifth District.*

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## TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

Bloomington, Ill., Sept. 11, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—I find the time again at hand to report to you concerning the affairs in the Twenty-sixth district. It will be for the most part the customary stereotype district deputy report, since with but one exception, nothing out of the ordinary has taken place in any of the lodges.

On November 21st Wade-Barney Lodge No. 512, of Bloomington, the second largest lodge in the district, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with a program of addresses and music, followed by a luncheon. Representatives were present from each lodge in the district. As you were in attendance, it is not necessary to go into detail, suffice to say that the memorable occasion was such as to maintain the splendid reputation of this good lodge.

All the lodges are enjoying the usual peace and harmony, doing the standard work and the usual amount of it. It is noticeable, however, that the war conditions now tend to reduce the number of petitions for the degrees.

I have greatly enjoyed serving as your representative in this district. The brethren of all the lodges have shown me every courtesy and consideration, and when I close my ministrations in this capacity at the end of this fiscal year it will be with the kindest fraternal regard and esteem for every brother of this good, faithful and harmonious district.

Thanking you sincerely for the honor bestowed upon me, with congratulations on your valued services to the state as our Most Worshipful Grand Master, as well as hearty wishes for your future good health and every happiness, I am Fraternally yours,

Nimrod Mace,
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-sixth District.*

## TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

DANVILLE, ILL., AUG. 12, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In compliance to the laws of the Grand Lodge, I take pleasure in submitting my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the twenty-seventh district.

I have visited all of the lodges during the year at least twice and most of them three times, and on each occasion have been received cordially by the brethren. All the lodges, with possibly one or two exceptions, are in splendid condition, both financially and fraternally, and Masonry has flourished in this district during the past year, as it never has before.

Schools of instruction were held in several of the lodges and the standard of Ritualistic proficiency has been improved to a marked degree in practically all the lodges in the district.

The new temple at Danville, which you so impressively dedicated for us in April, is a lasting monument to our beloved institution and the Masons of this district have a right to be proud of such a building, taking its place with the other public buildings of the city and bearing its silent message of Brotherly love, Relief and Truth.

The call to the flag has been heard by many of the brethren and I believe I am safe in saying that over fifty brethren from the twenty-seventh district have gone to the training camps to prepare to defend the stars and stripes in this great world struggle. The brethren left at home are also doing their share by pledging themselves to take care of the families of those who have gone to fight. May the day speedily come when wars will be ended and the Masonic family be united again.

If I have been the humble instrument through which Masonry in this district has gained some degree of success during the past two years, I am more than satisfied for having made the little sacrifices which I have in helping to attain this and for the many courtesies which you have extended to me and the brethren of the best Masonic district in Illinois, I sincerely thank you.

Fraternally yours,

G. HAVEN STEPHENS,
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-seventh District.*

### TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

URBANA, ILL., SEPT. 26, 1917

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In making my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the 28th District I have this to say:—

I visited all Lodges in this District and have found the usual amount of work and steady growth which is gratifying and which must be an inspiration to every Mason.

I find that in some cases there is need of instruction, but as a general rule the Officers are quite proficient and show that they have attended the schools and have learned their work correctly.

Having been appointed to fill an unexpired term, my time was limited and the several visits were made in a very short time but were none the less pleasant.

Thanking you for the honor conferred, I am,

Fraternally yours,

BOYD S. BLAINE,
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-eighth District.*

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### TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

PARIS, ILL., AUG. 13, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I herewith hand you my annual report. I have visited all of the Lodges in this District except four, and would have gotten around to all of them but for the fact that I was not appointed D. D. G. M. until June to fill out the unexpired term of Bro. Moyer, resigned.

I find all the Lodges in this District in good shape except New Hope Lodge No. 620 located at Livingston, Clark Co., Illinois, which was destroyed by the tornado of May 26th, and of which I made a detailed report direct to you.

I have advised that each Lodge in this District obtain the services of a Grand Lecturer at least once a year, and am making preparations for a District School for this fall.

Thanking you for the honor of serving you and the Grand Lodge, I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

JAMES A. SHEPHERD, JR.
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-ninth District.*

## TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

Toledo, O., Oct., 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—It is my privilege and pleasure to report that the Twenty-ninth Masonic District of Illinois is enjoying a wonderful, material prosperity, the condition of the various lodges is gratifying, both as to increase of membership and financial conditions.

The traditional Masonic Doves of Peace and Harmony have perched in our various lodges with about their accustomed regularity. We have enjoyed our usual share of sunshine and of shadow.

The district has been honored by the presence of the Grand Master on two different occasions. The first visit was on the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary of Macon Lodge No. 8; the second was at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple at Blue Mound. On each occasion, those who were so fortunate as to be present were privileged to hear the Grand Master at his best. His discourse in each instance was characteristic, incisive, instructive and inspiring.

While we have been called upon to undergo the pain of several Masonic trials, none were of such a nature as to prove disrupting to the lodges, and I believe we can fairly term the pains thus produced as growing pains—not harmful to the Body Masonic. Just as long as we make Master Masons of young men who have not arrived at the full expression of their manhood in years of experience, just so long must we expect to find undesirables in our midst. Possibly the only safe procedure would be to confer the Entered Apprentice Degree at the age of 21, the Fellowcraft Degree at the age of 31, and the Sublime Degree at the age of 41, balloting before each. I do not suggest this as a practicable plan, but only as indicating how difficult it will be to elevate the average Masonic character of our membership.

I have, with great personal satisfaction, recommended to each of our lodges the frequent reading in open lodge of the opening sentences of the Ancient Charges of 1717.

This concise statement of the tolerance which should actuate every Mason, the charity of word, thought and action, constitutes a precedent which, in my humble opinion, is too often overlooked by many of the brethren. I would like to see every Master of a lodge read that preamble to his brethren each time the lodge opens, and thus, by iteration and reiteration, impress not only the words, but the spirit of that memorable message on the minds and hearts of his hearers. This use of the power of suggestion would, I am sure, have a marked effect in increasing the amount of real harmony in the lodge.

The brethren of the Twenty-ninth District have responded enthusiastically to the call of the President, and our members may be found in every

branch of the military and naval service. We are proud of this representation, and while I am unable to state in actual figures how many have gone into the ranks, I feel certain that this district is in the forefront, both as to numbers enlisting and in self-sacrificing devotion to their country.

Being guided by the admonitions of the Grand Master, I have on every occasion counselled the officers and members of the various lodges to conserve their resources in every possible way, anticipating a reduction in income and an increase in necessary expenditures through the results of the great war. Along this line I am pleased to record a very desirable activity in the increasing of fees and dues. In nearly every instance the amounts stipulated in the by-laws were established at a time when money was scarce and everything else plentiful. Today money is relatively abundant but its purchasing power is not over one-half to one-third of what it was a few years ago. It is particularly essential that the lodges raise their dues liberally, not only to offset this decreased purchasing power, but to increase the surplus revenues. Thus, in a way, they can offset the decreased amount of fees received from candidates, and further strengthen themselves for the practical charity which is interwoven into the fabric of our institution.

In conclusion, I wish to thank you for the expression of your confidence, evidenced in my appoointment as District Deputy, and to congratulate you on the wonderful success which has attended the administration of Grand Lodge affairs in Illinois during the past two years. I remain,

Fraternally yours,

G. E. Chamberlain,
*D.D.G.M. Twenty-ninth District.*

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## THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

Riverton, Ill., Sept. 8, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—Lodges in this district, I presume, are similar to lodges in all districts; some flourishing, some standing still, while possibly others are going backward.

Lodges are as their members are, and one has only to compare the roster of a lodge with the records to find that the members consist of three classes; the ever present member who contributes his everything and receives its equal in return, the seldom present member who contributes his dues and receives its value by attending lodge when refreshments are served, and the never present member who contributes his dues and receives nothing in return.

Lodges that have a goodly number of members of the first class are flourishing, those that have a majority of the second and third classes are either standing still or going backward.

If all members were masons things would be quite different—perhaps sometime some plan will be adopted whereby this will be accomplished, in my opinion no lodge should be allowed to issue a document to a member certifying him as a master mason in good standing unless said member had masonry enough in his heart to have prompted him to attend at least twelve masonic meetings during the previous year, (unless physically disabled), and with enough masonry in his head to at least be able to pass a creditable examination in the catechism of each degree; oh for the time when every member will be a real mason—then every lodge will be an attractive institution in its community and an honor to masonry.

Summarizing the district I find; nine flourishing lodges, eight standing still, and two going backward.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, I thank you for all honors conferred.

Fraternally yours,

EMORY EDWARDS,
*D.D.G.M. Thirtieth District.*

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## THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL., AUGUST 1, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—The year just closing has been one of prosperity for the district as a whole. In every instance the work of the lodges of the district shows improvement. The financial condition of the majority is very good.

It is well to call attention to the danger of lodges attempting to finance building enterprises, unless they are fortunate enough to have some wealthy brothers who make gifts outright for such purposes. A lodge in this district that is now giving up its building, still has a debt of several hundred dollars which will require about two years to liquidate. All this after five years of hard work. Yet I know that as a result of this burden that this particular lodge will go ahead now and take a new lease on life and will fill its rightful place in the community. One other lodge in this district has had a wholesome revival and is now fully alive to its opportunities. The material advance of the district is a matter of congratulations.

As you already know, the year has not been without some incidents which we trust will not occur again.

A series of talks or letters could be given to each lodge, calling attention to vital duties and responsibilities, which might do some good. The lodges in turn should have these printed in letter form and sent to each member. The letters should not be more than would fill a page and a half of ordinary business sized correspondence. I offer this suggestion for what it is worth; for I know the value of a well written letter.

I greatly appreciate the privilege of serving the lodges in this district under your supervision. It is an honor to serve the craft in this manner, and I, therefore, thank you for the opportunity given me.

Fraternally yours,

A. C. METCALF,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-first District.*

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## THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

HULL, ILL., SEPT. 3, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I herewith submit my report as district deputy grand master of the thirty-second district. I have visited sixteen out of the twenty-one lodges in the district, and sure would have been pleased to have visited the remaining five.

The lodges throughout the district are in harmony at this time so far as I know. There was a little friction at one place of which you are aware, but I think that will be disposed of without any difficulty.

I had the pleasure of holding three schools in the district last winter, the attendance was very good, and I feel sure that the brethren in attendance received much benefit.

One of the most pleasant functions of the year was the constituting of Baylis lodge number 1000, there was a good number of the brethren present, and I had a lot of good help.

In conclusion I wish to assure you of my appreciation of the appointment as your representative in this district, and hope that I have handled the affairs of the district which have been called to my attention in a satisfactory manner to you.

Fraternally yours,

E. L. LAWRENCE,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-second District.*

## THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

QUINCY, ILL., SEPT. 7, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I am reminded that the time is due for my annual report as your Deputy from this the 33rd District.

I do not see how a condition could exist in any human organization comprising 16 Lodges with a membership of 1,900 Masons, where greater harmony could prevail, and stronger adherence to established customs, laws and principals, could exist than is now characterizing the District of which I have the honor by your courtesy, to preside as Deputy during the year now closing.

On Nov. 1st, 1916, acting as your special Deputy I dedicated the beautiful Temple at Plainville, Ill.

I have visited every Lodge in my District and performed such other duties as were assigned to me by you. In the discharge of these duties I have been treated with the utmost courtesy by the brethren, and have enjoyed my visits.

Congratulating you upon your successful administration and thanking you for appointing me District Deputy of this District, I am

Fraternally yours,

J. L. KLEMME,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-third District.*

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## THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

WINCHESTER, ILL., SEPT. 4, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—Herewith I submit my annual report as District Deputy of the Thirty-fourth District.

Nothing out of the ordinary run of affairs has transpired during the past year and my official actions have been limited to visiting the various lodges and reporting thereon.

The reports in each instance show conditions as they exist, and while the District as a whole is in good shape, there are three or four lodges which are in a deplorable condition.

In these cases I have advised, begged and cajoled in an effort to get the membership to show some speed but without avail, and it seems that nothing but a good hard jolt of some kind will wake them up.

The lodges in the larger towns of the district have been very prosperous and prospects for the future are bright.

No doubt the war will retard our progress to some extent and will probably reduce our membership as a number of our boys are now in the service and more will go before the awful conflict is over.

I have been nicely treated by the brethren and on the occasion of my official visits they have made every effort to make it pleasant and to assure me that I was welcome.

In conclusion I desire to thank you for the courtesy you have extended me and assure you that the honor is deeply appreciated.

Wishing you prosperity and happiness, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

R. M. Riggs,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-fourth District.*

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## THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Staunton, Ill., Sept. 1, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—My official year as district deputy grand master is drawing to a close, and with its passing I realize that many of the pleasures incident thereto are also vanishing.

In making my visits this year I have devoted my time mostly in dwelling upon the thought that is uppermost in all our minds at the present time—the war situation; I have recommended that lodges interest themselves in doing what they can to develop a spirit of loyalty to country, both in obeying the laws of the same as well as in answering the call of the country's needs, particularly recommending that lodges interest themselves in aiding the financing the needs of the war.

Realizing that under the stress of the times, that our ritual may be more or less slighted, I have specially advised Masons to strive the harder to become proficient therein, and thereby support a deep and true interest in the work as recommended by the Grand Lodge through its Board of Grand Examiners; for, although Masonry may be made to appear an institution founded upon the practice of various virtues, yet, the real student of Masonry realizes that the work of the ritual, applied in its most efficient form is the life of our very dear institution.

Fraternally yours,

W. P. Wall,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-fifth District.*

## THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

HILLSBORO, ILL., SEPT. 12, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In submitting my annual report for the thirty-sixth district I am glad to say that each lodge has been visited. In making my second visits I find that in nearly all cases lodges and their officers have tried to profit by suggestions that I have offered, and in a number of instances matters of no small importance have been satisfactorily adjusted.

Schools held in the district during the year have resulted in much good. However it would be much better if each lodge, no matter how small, secured the services of a grand lecturer early in the winter of each year. I find that often when a school is held in a larger lodge, with an invitation extended to surrounding lodges, many seem to think they might be crowded out and get little instruction. Also some members go with the intention of getting instruction by sitting around looking and listening, rather than getting out on the floor and trying to do something they might be induced to do if in the home lodge.

Like compulsory military training I believe each lodge should have one compulsory school of instruction each year, being allowed to choose its instructor, and at a time arranged by itself when most convenient. This could be followed up by an official visit at any time, and then I am sure a district deputy grand master in his official capacity would not so often have to make use of the broad mantle of charity in dealing with the lodge and his official report.

There is a good steady growth in nearly all lodges of the district, the standards of admission being kept high. One of the things to which we cannot direct too much thought and attention both to the lodge and the candidate is the application and practice of the tenets and virtues of our order. Any lodge made up of a body of officers and members giving close study to these things is prospering.

I desire to say that your many important official acts have met with great approval by our lodges, and to thank you for all courtesies extended to me and to this district. With best wishes for your continued success, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

WALTER R. MCLEAN,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-sixth District.*

## THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

ASSUMPTION, ILL., SEPT. 7, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I herewith submit to you my annual report as your representative for the thirty-seventh district. I have officially visited the seventeen lodges in the district and reports for each one have been sent to Bro. Phil C. Barclay.

I have enjoyed the work of visitation, having always been received in the most cordial manner, and making acquaintances among the best of men. With a few exceptions, the lodges of the thirty-seventh district are in the best of condition. I conducted two schools of instruction and many of the lodges held schools during the year. I would recommend that every lodge secure the services of a Grand Lecturer for a three day school once each year.

The hall of Blueville Lodge No. 647 of Edinburg was completely destroyed by fire this spring. They had a new fire-proof safe and all of the records were saved. This furnishes proof that a safe is one of the best investments that a lodge can make. I am pleased to report that a new and much better hall will be erected. Last year Findlay Lodge No. 831 of Findlay lost their hall by fire and have completed a new hall which is one of the best in the thirty-seventh district.

I would suggest that the size of the districts be made smaller, as it is quite a task for a deputy to make from fourteen to twenty visits, especially in the rural districts. Most of us are busy with other duties and a district of half the size would give us plenty to do.

Several questions have been referred to me but most of them could be answered by referring to the blue book. The remainder were sent to Bro. Dan G. Fitzgerrell for disposition.

Congratulating you on your successful administration and thanking you for the honor conferred, I am,

Fraternally yours,

L. A. TRIPP,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-seventh District.*

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## THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

ASHMORE, ILL., SEPT. 21, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I am sorry to have to report that I failed to visit two of the lodges in my district this year, as I waited too long for

them to notify me when they would have work; however they are lodges that do not need much supervising.

Conditions are generally good in the thirty-eighth district, most of the lodges having made good growth during the past year. In my visits this year I again strongly urged a number of lodges to hold schools of instruction during the coming winter, for I find that the lodges that do the best work are the ones that are getting the work to do. I also find that my recommendations in regard to equipment have been generally complied with.

The school of instruction held in Arcola early in the year was not largely attended, but was a splendid school, and of much benefit to those who were present. Areola Lodge No. 366 very generously assumed the whole expense of the school.

The big event of the year was the laying of the corner stone of the new government building at Charleston on September eighteenth, by Deputy Grand Master Serogin. About seven hundred masons, together with a large gathering of citizens were present to witness the impressive ceremonies.

Congratulating on your most successful administration, and thanking you for the part which it has been my privilege to have in it, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

S. A. Wright,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-eighth District.*

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**THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.**

Paris, Ill., August 13, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Bro. Wheeler:—I herewith hand you my annual report. I have visited all of the lodges in this district except four, and would have gotten around to all of them, but for the fact that I was not appointed D.D.G.M. until June, 1917, to fill out the unexpired term of Bro. Moyer, resigned.

I find all the lodges in this district in good shape, except New Hope Lodge No. 620, located at Livingston, Clark County, Illinois, which was destroyed by the tornado of May 26th, and of which I made a detailed report direct to you.

I have advised that each lodge in the district obtain the services of a grand lecturer at least once a year, and am making preparations for a district school this fall.

Thanking you for the honor of serving you and the grand lodge, I beg to remain, Fraternally yours,

James A. Shepherd Jr.,
*D.D.G.M. Thirty-ninth District.*

## FORTIETH DISTRICT.

ROBINSON, ILL., SEPT. 19, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I herewith beg leave to submit my report of this the 40th Masonic District.

I have made a thorough inspection of all the lodges of my district except two, and by the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge will have visited each and every one. It has been my pleasure to meet often with several of the lodges of this district. With the exception of one or two, the lodges of this district are in fairly prosperous condition. The backward condition of those in question I attribute to a lack of interest and brotherly love upon the part of the members of these lodges.

I think it would be doing the brethren of Olney an injustice, if I did not at this time commend them very highly upon the erection and completion of one of the most convenient temples in Southern Illinois.

Last, but not least, I desire to praise the brethren of this district for the extreme spirit of patriotism manifested by them during these warlike hours. I find them ever ready to part with their brethren, friends and families that they may prove to the world that they are the supporters of the "Flag under whose protection they live," and they are showing with more than words that they have been taught "Allegiance to their country."

Congratulating you upon your successful and very efficient administration, and thanking you for the pleasure of being your representative, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JAMES T. ATHEY,
*D.D.G.M. Fortieth District.*

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## FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

EFFINGHAM, ILL., AUG. 21, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I have to report, that I have during the past year visited all lodges in this masonic district and have submitted a detailed report of each visit to the chairman on chartered lodges as directed, and now have no special matter to report.

All inquiries made and all questions submitted by the lodges or individual brethren of this district have been promptly answered.

Masonry in this district, as a whole, is in good condition notwithstanding the fact that a number of the young active brethren have already answered the call to arms and gone forth to serve their country in this crisis.

Again I desire to say that I appreciate your many kindnesses and deem it an honor to have had the pleasure to serve the craft under your guidance as Grand Master. With best wishes, I am,

Fraternally yours,

DAVID L. WRIGHT,
*D.D.G.M. Forty-first District.*

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## FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

CLAY CITY, ILL., SEPT. 18, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I herewith submit my annual report of the Forty-second District.

Of the nineteen lodges in this district I have personally visited and reported on eleven. I am sorry that I could not find time to visit each lodge but sickness in our home, and my preparation for entering the service has made it impossible for me to officially visit each lodge.

I am glad to report to you that the lodges have extended to me every courtesy due the office, your orders have been carried out to the letter and that a true masonic spirit prevails throughout the Forty-second District.

I congratulate you on your most successful administration and thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me in making me your personal representative.

Fraternally yours,

THOS. A. DOHERTY,
*D.D.G.M. Forty-second District.*

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## FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

CARLYLE, ILL., SEPT. 20, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I beg leave to submit my annual report as district deputy grand master of the forty-third masonic district.

I have visited all lodges in my district except three which for unavoidable reasons I was unable to visit.

The reports from every lodge however were received and were sent to the proper committee.

The lodges in this district have without exception, enjoyed a very profitable year masonically, and are all in a prosperous condition.

In behalf of the brethren of this district I thank you for the many acts of kindness and courtesies shown us.

Congratulating you on your excellent administration and thanking you for the honor on me bestowed, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. W. DEAN,
*D.D.G.M. Forty-third District.*

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## FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

SPARTA, ILL., SEPT. 20, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—In submitting my report from the forty-fourth district it gives me pleasure to inform you that the lodges in this district are in a prosperous condition.

The work is becoming more uniform every year and the lodges are taking more interest each season.

I have visited all the lodges in my district and nothing has happened to mar the peace and harmony of Masonry.

A number of lodges are going to be crippled on account of having so many young, active members being taken to the National Army but it will merely mean for those who are not taken, will have increased work to do.

Thanking you for the honor conferred on me and assuring you of my personal loyalty and esteem, I am,

Fraternally yours,

SAMUEL E. GRIGGS,
*D.D.G.M. Forty-fourth District.*

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## FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

MT. VERNON, ILL., OCTOBER 6, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I have visited each of the lodges of this district and have found them in good condition, with the exceptions noted on the reports to the committee on chartered lodges.

Fraternally yours,

WAINWRIGHT DAVIS,
*D.D.G.M. Forty-fifth District*

## FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

LAWRENCEVILLE, ILL., AUG. 23, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—There are fourteen lodges in the 46th district, and I have visited all of them at least once during the year, detailed reports of these visits being made to the committee on Chartered Lodges. Where it has been possible, have made the second visit to lodges and in most cases have found my recommendations complied with. There are two notable exceptions to this, however, one in which old petitions were being used, and the other where the work does not conform to the standard. As the district deputy is without power to enforce his recommendations, there seems to be nothing to do but again suggest to these lodges that they get right.

Taken as a whole the lodges are in a flourishing condition, financially as well as numerically. While there have been little differences in some of the lodges, happily these differences have been adjusted and the brethren are dwelling together in peace and harmony, at least it has that appearance on the surface.

Three schools were held during the year—Hermitage, Edward Dobbins and Bridgeport. R. W. Bro. C. H. Martin held the Bridgeport school, and Bro. C. H. Thompson, of Mt. Vernon, the other two. All were well attended by the brethren. The work of the district conforms very closely to that laid down by the Board of Grand Examiners, with the exception of the lodge noted above.

A number of the lodges made very liberal subscriptions to the Liberty Loan bond issue and others are conserving their resources in order to be able to render financial assistance to members and their families in the event that it becomes necessary as a result of the present world war.

In conclusion, permit me to thank you for the honor conferred by appointing me your personal representative in the 46th district and thus having a small part in the greatest administration the grand old state of Illinois has ever had.

Fraternally yours,

C. F. STOLL,
*D.D.G.M. Forty-sixth District.*

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## FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

HARRISBURG, ILL., JULY 13, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—It is with pleasure I submit this my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the forty-seventh district.

I have visited each of the 16 lodges in the district and have forwarded my reports to the Chairman on Chartered Lodges.

These visits have been a great pleasure to me and I hope of some benefit to the lodges.

I found on my visits last year that most of the Secretaries were not reading the Blue Book and in this I spent some time and I am glad to report in most cases some improvement. But some lodges have a new Secretary and in these instances I find the same thing to do over again this year.

However I am pleased to report that masonry in the district is in a prosperous and harmonious condition and a great deal has been done for its advancement during the past year.

Three of the lodges in the district have had schools during the past year and it was my good fortune to hold one of them. More of them are needed and in my reports you will see I have recommended this.

I assure you that I deeply appreciate the honor you have conferred on me and trust that my actions will meet with your approval.

I wish to congratulate you on your efficient administration.

Fraternally yours,

GEO. M. MCKITRICK,
*D.D.G.M. Forty-seventh District.*

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## FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

CARBONDALE, ILL., SEPT. 17, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—It is with pleasure that I herewith submit my annual report as district deputy grand master of the Forty-eighth District

This has been a prosperous year in this district for Masonry, as many young men before going to war have petitioned the lodges for the degrees of Masonry and the summer months have been busy ones.

I am pleased to say all of the lodges in the district are in fairly good condition, and doing good work, some of them however need instruction, and I advised them to get a grand lecturer this fall.

It was my pleasure to act as your proxy in instituting Hurst Lodge U. D. on December 1st, 1916, they are doing good work, and the prospects for building up a wide awake and prosperous lodge are excellent.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me by appointment as your representative in this district, I am Fraternally yours,

JOHN ARMSTRONG,
*D.D.G.M. Forty-eighth District.*

## FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

CAIRO, ILL., SEPT. 15, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—I take pleasure in reporting that the lodges in the Forty-ninth District show a decided improvement over last year, not only in membership and secretaries' records, but in the interest displayed, and the efforts put forth by the officers and the members to properly acquaint themselves with the ritual and other matters which conduce to the success of a lodge.

There is an excuse for some of the country lodges not showing a gain in membership on account of the lack of material, but this does not excuse the officers and members for not having an up-to-date lodge. The fault does not rest entirely with the Master and officers, but with the members, for I find the officers at times pretty well discouraged, having tried every possible means to induce the brethren to attend. I attribute a great deal of the apparent neglect of the members to the fact that the lodges do nothing in a social way. Lodges in this district, as a general rule, have their dues too low, barely enough to pay their Grand Lodge dues. Unless they are fortunate in securing a candidate or two, they are broke all the year and have no funds for social purposes, which is absolutely necessary to lodge attendanace.

The lodges of Union County have formed an organization for the purpose of furthering lodge visitation. Once a year the members of these lodges and their families get together in one big meeting. Usually an orator of note is on the program, his subject being along Masonic lines. These meetings are well attended, and I think it would be a good idea for all counties to have a similar organization.

War has dealt lightly with the membership of the lodges of this district, and while a few members have volunteered, or have been drafted, the effect has not been noticeable. Each lodge, I feel sure, will look out for its members in the service and see that they and their families are not neglected.

I take this opportunity to congratulate you on your most successful administration.

Fraternally yours,

C. S. BOURQUE,
*D.D.G.M Forty-ninth District.*

## FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

METROPOLIS, ILL., SEPT. 13, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—It is with genuine pleasure that I make my first annual report as district deputy Grand Master for the Fiftieth District of Illinois.

I am glad to be able to say that I have visited each and every one of the twelve lodges in this district. To do so has required considerable traveling, inasmuch as the Fiftieth District extends along the Illinois shore of the majestic Ohio for about a hundred miles, embraces four different counties and one of these counties is unique in that it is entirely without a railroad. Of the twelve lodges in this district, only five are situated on railroads; the remaining seven have to be visited either by auto or gasoline boat. I have hugely enjoyed making these visits to these various lodges and in each and every instance I have been most cordially received by the officers and brethren, who, I found, were willing and eager to receive any and all suggestions for the betterment of their work.

Owing to the painstaking efforts of my predecessor, Bro. Edward J. Cowling, I found that the secretary's books, for the most part, were kept strictly in accordance with the Grand Lodge requirements. The few instances where there were new secretaries who needed suggestions here and there, I attended to.

With a possible exception or two, I think it can be said, on the whole that the lodges of this district are comfortably housed, are reasonably well equipped with paraphernalia with which to do the work, are in fairly good financial condition, and are working in harmony.

One lodge in particular deserves mention and that is Cave-In-Rock Lodge No. 444. During the past year it has built a splendid two-story brick structure in the second story of which the lodge is comfortably and splendidly housed in a spacious lodge hall. Two other lodges each held schools of instruction during the past year, Farmer's Lodge No. 232 at Brookport, and Trinity Lodge No. 562 at Mound City. In addition to these, there was a district school held at Metropolis, which was well attended and at which a most excellent spirit prevailed.

As I went over the district visiting the various lodges, it soon became evident to me that the one thing needed above all else was a greater interest in the work or in other words an old fashioned "revival" in Masonry. To recommend the purchase of a Third Degree outfit, or to supply enough black cubes to equal the white balls were easy recommendations to make, and were recommendations that can and will easily be carried out. But what recommendation to make to bring about a genuine revival in Masonry was another question.

I was reminded of an old story of the man who had suddenly become rich and who immediately set about to build a fine house. As it was nearing completion, a visitor one day asked the proud owner what style of architecture he had followed in building the new house. He replied that he had not decided, but, after the carpenters had finished their work, he would send to Boston for an architect to decide on and put on the architecture. So, I felt that for me to make any direct and specific recommendations for the lodges to experience a real revival in Masonry would be almost as ludicrous as the plan of the newly-rich individual with reference to architecture, for truly, a revival in Masonry must come from within and not from without. However, to assist all that I could in bringing about this most desired state, I made strong recommendations to every lodge, that had not held a school of instruction during the past year, to hold one this coming year, with the hope and expectation, that by holding a school and procuring a larger attendance of the brethren, the spirit of good fellowship which invariably characterizes one of these schools would be productive, in a measure, of the very results that we want to attain. Each of the nine lodges in question confidently assured me that my suggestion of a school of instruction was an anticipation of precisely what they wanted and expected to do and that the schools would be held. I sincerely hope that the ardor of the brethren does not cool, for the holding of nine schools of instruction in the Fiftieth District would be the making of great progress.

In conclusion, permit me to thank you very heartily for the honor you have conferred on me in making me your representative in this district, and, extending to you my very best personal regards, I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

ROY R. HELM,
*D.D.G.M. Fiftieth District.*

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## GERMAN SPEAKING LODGES.

CHICAGO, ILL., SEPT. 12, 1917.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—As your representative of the German speaking lodges, I herewith submit my annual report.

During the past year I have visited all of them in Chicago, also, Peoria and Bloomington; most of them several times, and find some of them are doing fairly well; others are very prosperous. Harmony and good fellowship prevails with all of them. I have been received courteously everywhere, and greatly enjoyed my visits.

Acting as your special deputy I have had the honor of instituting Community Lodge U. D. on February 1, 1917,—a report of which was made to you at that time. I have visited this lodge from time to time, and noted their work was done very satisfacttorily, and should result in a full approval of this effort.

Thanking you for the honor conferred on me, and with the kindest personal regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JOHN F. SCHOTT,
*D.D.G.M. German Speaking Lodges.*

## REPORT OF BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS.

*Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, M. W. Grand Master, Chicago, Illinois.*

DEAR BRO. WHEELER:—The following is a report of the doings of the Board of Grand Examiners for the past year:

The Board of Grand Examiners, after our reappointment in October, 1916, met in the LaSalle Hotel in Chicago. S. C. D. Rea was re-elected secretary of the board for the ensuing year. By unanimous action the board recommended for reappointment as grand lecturers 303 brethren, a list of which appears in Grand Lodge Proceedings, 1916, at pages 161 to 166, both inclusive. Through error the names of Brethren George M. McKittrick, Harrisburg; Frank V. Partridge, Springfield, and Russell V. McKee, Washburn, were omitted from the list and have since been added. During the past year the following named brethren have been restored as grand lecturers and their names given their regular place in the list of grand lecturers:

Albert Roullier, Chicago; W. N. Ewing, McLean; William Scales, Ottawa; Charles Watson, Chicago; Russell Wiles, Riverside; E. R. Welch, Bunker Hill.

At your direction the Board of Grand Examiners conducted six state schools and six district schools and three examinations for commissions as grand lecturers.

The total attendance at the state schools was 2,511 and at the district schools 1,120. During the past year the Board of Grand Examiners duly examined and recommended 35 brethren for commissions as grand lecturers.

The schools were conducted on the lines as heretofore, the attendance was good and much interest manifested. Much credit is due the district deputy grand masters of the different districts in which schools were held for their efforts to make the school a success.

The board wishes to express its appreciation to the grand master and other Grand Lodge officers for their presence and co-operation at the schools and to the grand lecturers for their valuable assistance. The work of the grand lecturers of Illinois is most excellent, as demonstrated by actual work at the schools and equal to, or greater than, that of any other state.

A detailed report of the schools and examinations follows:

The Board of Grand Examiners conducted an examination in the Auditorium Lodge Hall in Chicago on December 27 and 28, 1916, when the following brethren were duly examined and recommended for commissions as grand lecturers:

James Soutar Wylie, Chicago; Frank Ferdinand Tuverson, Chicago; Earl Gillman Beard, Chicago; Gustav Henry Schultz, Danville; Arthur Floyd Johnston, Danville; Lyman Nelson Thurrston, Chicago; Benjamin Julian Metzger, Joliet; Jacob Hirsch, Chicago; Gustav Kohn, Chicago; Carl J. Solomon, Chicago.

CENTRALIA SCHOOL.

January 16, 17 and 18, 1917.

Attendance was as follows:

Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master; Austin H. Scrogin, Deputy Grand Master; Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary; R. Keene Ryan, Grand Chaplain; District Deputy Grand Masters, Thomas A. Doherty, David L. Wright, Frank R. Smedley, C. W. Dean, Samuel E. Gregg; Grand Examiners, Anthony Doherty, Maxwell Levy, Henry S. Wiley, Richard C. Davenport and Spruel C. D. Rea; Grand Lecturers, W. P. Jones, J. E. Glathart, S. M. Schoemann, N. B. Carson, Charles H. Martin, O. J. Chapman, H. M. Palmer, Ralph H. Wheeler, John L. Whiteside, Marshall Ozment, W. A. Dixon, Frank R. Smedley, G. N. Todd, Fred J. Jerden, A. B. Collom, Isaac Cutter, David D. King, A. E. Wood, Austin H. Scrogin, Wainwright Davis, R. E. Hale, Thomas Kelso, Charles P. Ross, T. C. Hambleton, E. R. Hensley, C. O. Faught, Charles H. Thompson, George M. McKittrick, C. N. Hambleton, W. T. Cable, Francis H. Bradley, Julius G. Strawn, Fred Naumer. Total attendance, 237. Illinoios lodges represented, 52. Officers of Illinois lodges, 57. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions represented, 6.

CHAMPAIGN SCHOOL.

January 30 and 31, and February 1, 1917.

Attendance was as follows:

Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master; Austin H. Scrogin, Deputy Grand Master; Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary; W. M. Lovins, Grand Sword

Bearer; Owen Scott, Past Grand Master; District Deputy Grand Masters, Frank R. Smedley, C. L. Tanner, C. S. Bourke, James T. Athey, G. Haven Stephens; Grand Examiners, Anthony Doherty, Maxwell Levy, Henry S. Wiley, Richard C. Davenport, Spruel C. D. Rea; Grand Lecturers, W. M. Lovins, J. L. Dawson, F. R. Smedley, John W. Evans, W A. Dixon, Silas Watts, C. W. Copher, J. N. Fairchild, Samuel Middleton, A. F. Johnston, Harry C. Resser, C. H. Schultz, D. E. Bruffett, T. S. Browning, James Porter, G. N. Todd, David D. King, G. Haven Stephens, Henry P. Blose, F. I. Mills, James T. Athey, Z. S. Saylor, Arthur E. Wodd, J. I. Brydon, W. E. Spurgin, Roy E. Nelson, Ralph H. Wheeler, Austin H. Scrogin, Isaac Cutter, Boyd S. Blaine, Martin R. Jones, O. J. Chapman, W. H. Pundt, Benjamin Bing, C. L. Tanner, W. P. Jones, Gordon Pillow. Illinois lodges represented, 51. Officers of Illinois lodges, 57. Other Grand Jurisdictions represented, 5. Total attendance, 362.

SPINGFIELD SCHOOL.

February 13, 14 and 15, 1917.

Attendance was as follows:

Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master; Austin H. Scrogin, Deputy Grand Master; Dan G. Fitzgerrell, Senior Grand Warden; Elmer E. Beach, Junior Grand Warden; Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary; Oscar A Kopf, Grand Orator; Past Grand Masters, Owen Scott and H. T. Burnap; District Deputy Grand Masters, A. T. Peters, Thomas Moyer, W. P. Wall, Emory Edwards, A. C. Metcalf; Grand Examiners, Anthony Doherty, Maxwell Levy, Henry S. Wiley, Richard C. Davenport and Spruel C. D. Rea; Grand Lecturers, Hal C. McCloud, L. W. Coe, D. W. Starr, D. G. Fizgerrell, Frank J. Vernon, A. L. Pickle, C. L. Montgomery, J. P. Sweitzer, Harrold H. Grubb, Edmund G. George, Asa G. Trees, H. A. Flock, J. O. Holland, A. O. Poff, Elmer E. Stamp, C. P. Clark, Chas. W. Kessler, Amos Ball, B. L. Ten Eyck, A. C. Metcalf, J. A. Shepherd, Jr., Delbert I. Duck, Frank P. Partridge, J. O. Anderson, F. O. Lorton, T. W. Nixon, J. W .Montgomery, E. R. Welch, N. M. Mesnard, John W. Evans, H. J. Rutherford, M. L. Downey, Elmer E. Stadler, Andrew J. Zimmerman, C. H. Lefler, Geo. E. Chamberlain, E. R. Turnbull, J. M. Willard, James Welch, W. A. Hoover, L. A. Tripp, Emory Edwards, A. E. Wood, J. E. Edmundson, B. I. Pumpelly, Isaac Cutter, Ralph H. Wheeler, A. H. Scrogin, H. W. Crabb, W. A. Dixon, A. T. Peters, Herman S. Grossboll, W. H. Thomas, Silas Watts, A. A. Bauer, R. F. Davidson, David D. King, J. E. Jeffers, Elmer E. Bach, A. E. Wood, Chas. S. De Hart, H. T. Burnap. Total number of lodges represented, 131. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions represented, 5. Officers of Illinois lodges, 77. Total attendance, 385.

GALESBURG SCHOOL.

February 27-28 and March 1, 1917.

Attendance was as follows:

Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master; Austin H. Scrogin, Deputy Grand Master; Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary; Chester E. Allen, Past Grand Master; District Deputy Grand Masters, C. C. Sawyer, Robert N. Holt, E. L. Lawrence, Simon P. Odenweller; Board of Grand Examiners, Anthony Doherty, Maxwell Levy, Henry S. Wiley, Richard C. Davenport and Spruel C. D. Rea; Grand Lecturers, L. L. Weaver, A. D. Pollock, Chas. J. Shaw, C. C. Sawyer, L. W. Morton, Willis McFeely, B. C. Need, Geo. E. Carlson, B. L. TenEyck, F. L. Shaw, Sidney B. Harvey, Geo. N. Lamb, W. C. Bryant, Paul G. Duncan, W. C. Bradley, E. L. Lawrence, W. A. Blessing, C. H. Mangold, C. W. Flood, A. H. Scrogin, Isaac Cutter, Ralph H. Wheeler, C. L. Gregory, C. E. Allen, Harry L. Kelly, M. T. Booth, Geo. Zoller, Emmerson Clark, Simon P. Odenweller, E. J. Tye, A. E. Wood. Illinois lodges represented, 72. Officers of Illinois lodges, 90. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions, 4. Total attendance, 358.

LASALLE SCHOOL.

March 13, 14 and 15, 1917.

Attendance was as follows:

Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master; Austin H. Scrogin, Deputy Grand Master; Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary; Normal J. Cary, Junior Grand Deacon; District Deputy Grand Masters, F. E. Blakslee and Chas. W. Coker; Grand Examiners, Anthony Doherty, Maxwell Levy, Henry S. Wiley, Richard C. Davenport and Spruel C. D. Rea; Grand Lecturers, Ralph H. Wheeler, Austin H. Scrogin, Isaac Cutter, C. J. Wightman, A. E. Wood, Richard H. Eldridge, Arthur F. Gooch, R. V. McKee, Carroll W. Norris, Chas. W. McCray, Wm. Scales, C. E. Olmstead, T. B. Strauss, Silas E. Kain, Nathaniel Schooler, G. L. Beal, J. A. Provoost, B. T. Harley, Wm. H. Zarley, Ben L. Berve, J. B. Roach, C. F. Fenn, W. E. Speckman, Amos Ball, J. M. Hannum, A. C. Peck, Andrew J. Zimmerman, Emmett Howard, Ralph R. Shay, Harry L. Kelly, M. N. Shaw, Benj. J. Metzger. Illinois lodges represented, 63. Officers of Illinois lodges, 45. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions, 2. Total attendance, 257.

CHICAGO SCHOOL.

March 20, 21 and 22, 1917.

Attendance was as follows:

Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master; Austin H. Scrogin, Deputy Grand Master; Dan G. Fitzgerrell, Senior Grand Warden; Elmer E. Beach, Junior

Grand Warden; N. J. Cary, Junior Grand Deacon; William H. Beid, Grand Marshal; Geo. J. Kurzenknabe, Grand Pursuivant; R. Keene Ryan, Grand Chaplain; Felix Von W. Wysow, Grand Sword Bearer; Past Grand Masters, Geo. M. Moulton, Owen Scott, C. E. Allen; District Deputy Grand Masters, N. E. Murray, C. R. Grover, Jos. J. Shaw, James M. Huff, James A. Steven, William A. Ward, John F. Schott, Richard E. Kropf, G. Haven Stephens; Grand Examiners, Anthony Doherty, Maxwell Levy, Henry S. Wiley, Richard C. Davenport and Spruel C. D. Rea; Grand Lecturers, Paul A. Pabst, W. B. Cochrane, Albert C. McFarlane, Melville H. Leighton, David Martin, Gustav Kohn, W. A .Dixon, H. E. Van Loon, G. L. Beal, William D. Price, Addison Hickox, John Mutter, Emil H. Kopp, W. W. M. Bending, E. E. Stamp, Bernard Remmer, Geo. N .Lamb, E. L. Eckersall, Chas. Watson, C. J. Weiskopf, James Cropper, F. M. Carr, Chas. H. Crowell, Jacob Schwartz, E. W. Aplin, J. H. Thorns, Henry Feick, Evan P. Jones, James F. Boyle, C. C. Fenn, Emanuel Weil, Russell Wiles, Benj. W. Scholton, W. P. Jones, E. C. Mullen, Nathaniel Schooler, Carl J. Solomon, L. B. Dyer, J. Darragh, E. G. Burger, J. F. Barsaloux, Frank Wheat, Carroll W. Norris, David D. King, H. A. Rimpler, Jacob Hirsch, Henry Robinson, A. M. Bassford, Archibald Birse, Leopold Swartz, H. E. DeLavergne, Geo. Edwards, Alex. B. Hay, J. R. H. Potts, A. T. Thompson, Willis McFeely, B. J. Metzger, Chas. W. McCray, C. P. Clark, Wm. H. Beid, Benjamin S. Bingham, W. Elmer Edwards, R. C. Cantelou, Harry H. Milnor, Henry Freidman, Smith D. Hinman, Francis H. Bradley, I. J. Grass, James M. Huff, W. H. Randall, R. H. Cutler, Edwin F. Works, Thomas Edward Jones, William F. Ulrich, L. C. Cramer, Wm. A. Ward, Frederick D. Ehlert, F. E. Edgerton, A. O. Novander, Austin H. Scrogin, Isaac Cutter, A. E. Wood, C. E. Allen, E. P. Wenger, Oliver H. Clark, Leopold Apple, Ralph H. Wheeler, F. M. Cruikshank, Otto Brail, D. S. Mellinger, Geo. E. Moore, W. H. Paterson, A. Winteringham, David Richards, E. K. Bennington, Anthony J. Bronsky, William W. Roberts, W. H. Rupe, G. Haven Stephens, D. G. Fitzgerrell, Fred S. Schram, Walter E. Felt, Nels O. Johnson, Harry A. Dever, Otto Shatzkis, Walter E. Long, Frank M. Phillis, L. W. Thurston, Chas. H. Keppel, W. E. Marble, A. C. Koethe, O. E. Carpenter, H. D. Hamper, J. E. Wheat, J. B. Bruce, Albert J. Dew, E. G. Beard, T. Irving Christopher, O. H. Travis, Wm. Mummery, A. Scott Dowd, Karl A. Finley, H. D. Jackson, W. G. Houghton, William Tinsley, D. S. Davidson, Roscoe C. Clak, Ira J. McDowell, W. W. LaMoure, Elof Peterson, Oscar L. Carson, Louis J. Frahm, Albert Jampolis, S. F. Odell, Harry W. Harvey, Joseph A. Briegel, A. W. Cain. Illinois lodges represented, 272. Officers of Illinois lodges, 478. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions, 4. Total attendance, 912.

DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

MARION.

January 23, 24 and 25, 1917.
Henry S. Wiley, Instructor.

Attendance was as follows:

Grand Examiners, Henry S .Wiley, Anthony Doherty and S. C. D. Rea; District Deputy Grand Masters, John Armstrong, Thomas A. Doherty; Grand Lecturers, T. S. Browning, Gordon Pillow. Illinois lodges represented, 41. Foreign lodges, 3. Officers of Illinois lodges, 44. Total attendance, 193.

PEKIN.

January 23, 24 and 25, 1917.
Richard C. Davenport, Instructor.

Attendance was as follows:

Ralph H. Wheeler, Grand Master; A. T. Peters, District Deputy Grand Master; Richard C. Davenport, Grand Examiner; Grand Lecturers, A. T. Peters, A. J. Zimmerman, C. H. Lefler. Illinois lodges represented, 27. Officers of Illinois lodges, 39. Total attendance, 130.

JOLIET.

February 6, 7 and 8, 1917.
Maxwell Levy, Instructor.

Attendance was as follows:

Grand Examiners, Maxwell Levy and Henry S. Wiley; Grand Lecturers, A. E. Wood, B. T. Harley, Otto Brial, W. H. Zarley, R. C. Clark, Nels O. Johnson, C. W. McCray, W. W. M. Bending, G. L. Beal, C. C. Fenn, B. J. Metzger, T. E. Jones. Illinoios lodges represented, 15. Officers of Illinois lodges, 31. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions, 8. Total attendance, 136.

METROPOLIS.

February 6, 7 and 8, 1917.
Spruel C. D. Rea, Instructor.

Attendance was as follows:

Spruel C. D. Rea, Grand Examiner; Roy R. Helms, District Deputy Grand Master; Grand Lecturers, Edward J. Cowling, Walter E. Speckman. Illinois lodges represented, 23. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions, 8. Total attendance, 116.

QUINCY.

February 20, 21 and 22, 1917.
Anthony Doherty, Instructor.

Attendance was as follows:

Grand Examiners, Anthony Doherty and Henry S. Wiley; District Deputy Grand Masters, Julius Klemme, Enoch Flemming, E. Lawrence, S. P. Odenweller; Grand Lecturers, Emmett Howard, Julius Klemme, P. G. Duncan, W. C. Bradley, E. Lawrence, C. P. Eichenauer, S. P. Odenweller, Geo. Zoller. Illinois lodges, 64. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions, 6. Officers of Illinois lodges, 122. Total attendance, 336.

DIXON.

February 20, 21 and 22, 1917.
Spruel C. D. Rea, Instructor.

Attendance was as follows:

R. Keene Ryan, Grand Chaplain; Spruel C. D. Rea, Grand Examiner; District Deputy Grand Masters, Mark C. Keller, John T. Miller; Grand Lecturers, John T. Charters and Ben Cotlow. Illinois lodges represented, 25. Officers of Illinois lodges, 53. Foreign Grand Jurisdictions, 8. Total attendance, 209.

The following letter was sent out to the Grand Lecturers:

The Board of Grand Examiners conducted an examination for commissions as Grand Lecturer in the Auditorium Lodge Hall in Chicago, Ill., March 16 and17, 1917. The following brethren were examined and recommended for commissions:

George S. Palmer, Ed. Bunn Funk, Glen Frank Coe, Geo. A. Stover, Clarence W. Dexter, David C. Hibbott, Wm. Robertson, Clyde Schwartz, Chester W. Cheshire, Wm. Jedike, James A. Zeller, Wallace H. Downs, Wm. H. Lundie, James A. Berkman, Carlos K. Eckhart, Frederick A. Gilbert, Montrose G. Taylor, William G. Jones, Charles A. Stayart, John A. Kester, R. D. Tinkham.

The Board of Grand Examiners conducted an examination in Carbondale on May 28 and 29, 1917, when the following brethren were duly examined and recommended for commissions as Grand Lecturers:

Looney McCormack, John Armstrong, William Douglas Abney and James Francis Rowley.

Lastly, we desire to extend to you our appreciation for your many courtesies and congratulate you on your successful administration of Grand Lodge affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS,
SPRUEL C. D. REA, *Secretary.*

Benton, Illinois, Sept. 15, 1917.

To Grand Lecturers.

November 14, 1917.

Dear Brother:—At the last session of the Grand Lodge a resolution was adopted requiring Grand Lecturers to attend one or more State Schools of Instruction in order that their commissions might be renewed. No credit will be given for attendance at a district school.

The Board of Grand Examiners has no discretion in the matter. You must attend a State School or your name will be dropped from the list of Grand Lecturers unless excused for physical inability to comply with the requirements.

At some of the schools last year there were a few Grand Lecturers who registered, deposited their registration cards with the secretary of the board and took their departure. We are glad to say that this was in no way general, but it was done by a few. This year credit will be given for attendance only after you have performed the duty assigned you.

We urge you to use the greatest discretion in certifying to the proficiency of applicants for commissions as Grand Lecturers. Do not let sentiment influence you and do not certify that a brother is proficient until you have thoroughly satisfied yourself that he is not only perfectly familiar with the ritual, but also with the floor movements and handling of the rods.

We feel sure that you will hesitate to certify to a brother's proficiency in the ritual and ceremonies who is not entirely proficient when you consider that it would be a reflection on you as a Grand Lecturer.

At the coming schools we bespeak the same hearty co-operation from you that characterized the schools last year. We pledge ourselves to the utmost exertion in making the schools not only entertaining but helpful to all.

Fraternally yours,

Anthony Doherty,
Maxwell Levy,
Henry S. Wiley,
Richard D. Davenport,
Spruel C. D. Rea,
*Grand Examiners.*

# MASONIC EDUCATION

Address Before Grand Lodge School of Instruction, Chicago, Illinois, March 21, Grand Master Ralph H. Wheeler, Presiding

By JOSEPH FORT NEWTON
Grand Lodge of Iowa

## Masonic Education

*Most Worshipful Grand Master, Members of the Grand Lodge, and Brethren:*

I am deeply grateful for such a greeting. I have learned to expect greetings like this from my Brethren in Illinois, not because of my own person, but because I represent for the moment the Grand Lodge of Iowa, and coming from that jurisdiction, I would bring greetings and good will to this goodly company of Brethren in Chicago.

Moreover, such a greeting is characteristic of Chicago, which is a City whose history I have studied in connection with the life of one of the wisest, sweetest and noblest men that ever lived in this City; a man who came here when it was a little more than a village, bringing a philosophy which was also a civilization; who erected his altar near the Stock Exchange, kindled his altar fire, read his essays, and vanished, but who left here a tradition of idealism, of spiritual life, and of what is divinest in a human life,—David Swing.

In writing the story of his life, as it was my honor to do, I had to know the history of Chicago and to follow particularly and in detail his footsteps from 1866 until his death in 1894. And so a vision of the spirit and genius of his wonderful City, the rapidity of its growth, the extent of its influence and power in the nation, has remained vivid in my mind. Indeed it has always had for me a distinct spirit, something akin to a personality; so that when I come into it from whatever direction, I feel that I am in the Chicago air, that is so large and liberal and friendly, so free withal and courteous. It so happens that I am going to make my home in England, to stand for a few years at least in the great pulpit of the City Temple in London, but I shall often have a homesick feeling for old Chicago.

No one, moreover, who has studied the life of Lincoln as it has been my joy to do, and become one of his historians, could fail to be at home anywhere in Illinois. For it was here that that son of a pioneer, a child of the South and a leader of the North, grew to be the tallest, sweetest and wisest soul that has stood here among us here in America. And, having studied Lincoln, if I am going to live in England, I shall remain an American. How could I do otherwise?

And I shall remain an American Mason. Among the many things that we have in common with England, I think one of the greatest is our Freemasonry. For it is from the Grand Lodge of England that we are Masonically descended. And if I am to live for awhile under its jurisdiction, and wear its colors, it will be, speaking as a Mason, only living for a little while in the old homestead; for Masonry, wherever you may go, however it may differ in detail, is the same in spirit, in philosophy, in principle and in intention.

It was most interesting last summer during my visit to England and Scotland,—and a large part of the joy of that visit was contributed by my Masonic Brethren,—to notice the little differences and the great resemblances between Masonry here and there. The differences were about like the little differences in accent and inflexion of dialects in different counties of England, or in different sections of our own country. Always they were saying the same thing, speaking the great far-shining principles of our Order.

If I had time I should like to tell you some of the little variations that I discovered as between English and Scottish Masonry, and the Masonry on this side. Lodges over there are much smaller than they are over here. The average size of a Masonic Lodge in England is between forty and fifty members. They prefer a smaller lodge because they think it contributes to the cultivation of a more intimate and tender spirit of fellowship. They were amazed when I told them what large Lodges we have in America, and some of which you have in Chicago. Their Lodges meet less frequently than our Lodges meet over here. Some of them meet quarterly, some of them meet twice a year, and there is one Lodge in England, I understand, that meets only once a year. But that does not mean that the Brethren are not constantly in touch with one another during the interval between Lodge Meetings. They are constantly in touch, and the little courtesies and services which they extend to one another creates a family feeling, and cements them into a unity that makes their Masonic fellowship inspiring indeed.

Admission into a Lodge of English Masons discloses certain differences from Lodges in our own country. The work is done, for example, on the first Degree of Masonry—that is, all business is transacted on the first Degree. The ritual work is exemplified with great precision and with greater rapidity than it is among us. And it has a certain military movement, an exactness, and so it does not take as long to confer a degree in an English Lodge as it often does in one of our Lodges. Masonry on the other side, in England at least, is less Democratic, it seemed to me, than it is with us. Of course all the younger men, all of them in fact that could pass the test required, were away at the wars; but as a usual thing a man is a little farther along in the world, and is a little better established financially, before he enters the Masonic Order in England than when he enters the Order of this side. The fees and initiation expenses make it almost prohibitory for a young man, unless he is unusually well started in the things of this world. Such, at least, was my impression.

On the other hand, while it might be in this way a little less Democratic, English Masonry is a very substantial Institution, and has a place of influence and power in the life of the country. The lodges are very old, and many of them are very, very rich. The philanthropies are

abundant and beautiful. Wherever I went in England, I found a most exquisite Masonic courtesy and a warmth of greeting which told me that however much the details of the Organization of English Free Masonry might differ from our own, its heart was the same.

Scottish Masonry is much more like our own than Masonry in England. I never can forget the remarkable Masonic welcome that greeted me in Glasgow when I went as the guest of the Provincial Grand Lodge and also of Lodge Progress. Now Lodge Progress was founded a number of years ago to undertake three things. First, to fight the use of Scotch Whiskey at Masonic gatherings. Think of that in Scotland! What an undertaking! It was little David with his sling against Goliath. The second purpose for the founding of Lodge Progress was to promote the study side of Masonry, and it was that fact, and my interest in that fact, that took me to the City of Glasgow. The third reason for its founding was to extend Masonic philanthropy outside the border of Masonry, and the great war, with its dreadful entail of tragedy and suffering, gave it the largest opportunity in connection with the fourteen thousand Belgium refugees that were allotted to Glasgow for care and feeding.

It seems to me, Brethren, that at a time when so many ties are being broken, the spirit of Masonry and its genius is needed as one of the ties to hold the world together. And this is my reason for mentioning it as a tie between England, Scotland and our own country, and between other countries; and pray God that its cable tow which extends to countries now at war may in no wise be broken. And if our Republic should have to draw its great white sword and enter the world tragedy, let us at least pray that this tie so tender and invisible, so unique, peculiar and precious, may remain unbroken, no matter on what side of the line men may fight.

This leads me to recall the earliest memory that I have of the Masonic Order. When I was a little child about seven years of age, I came to know several men who were wont to visit the home of my mother about once a month. She was a widow, and had a little family to look after, and we lived in the south in the midst of the poverty that followed in the wake of the Civil war. At first I did not know the purpose that these men had in mind in visiting our home. But one day I asked my mother, and she told me that they were members of the Masonic Order. They had just come to learn if there was any way in which they might help her in her struggle to keep her family together. Happily aid was not needed, but every month, and sometimes more than once a month, those men would come with a quiet and kindly knock to see that no aid was needed.

As I grew older, I learned to know these men, and I learned also to know the story of my father who had been a member of their Lodge;—had, I believe, been a Master of it;—and I learned something in connection with his Masonic experience that would perhaps interest you if I

recite it very briefly. He was a soldier of the South, as some of you, or your fathers, were no doubt soldiers of the North in our Civil War. He wore the gray uniform, and you wore the blue. He was captured at one of the battles in the State of Arkansas, and as a young captain in the army of the South, was brought up the Mississippi River to Rock Island, where he was detained as a prisoner of war for quite a while. The Northern climate was very severe on Southern men in prison. How severe, you may learn by looking into the Archives of the War Department. My father fell ill, fell desperately ill. He made himself known as a Mason to an officer of the prison at Rock Island. The officer took that young Brother Mason out of the prison to his home, and nursed him back to life. When the war closed, and his freedom had again come, that officer, his Brother Mason, put money into his hand, and a little pearl handled pistol in his pocket, that he might find his way back home midst unsettled conditions following the war.

Such was the spirit of Masonry in our Civil war, and if the real story of its service in softening the horrors and terrors of war, in sweetening to some degree its bitterness, is ever told, it will be a volume that men will open with trembling hands, and close with weeping eyes. Indeed, at a time when churches were rent in twain, when states were torn asunder, the only tie that remained unbroken in the hour of the Civil war, was the tie of Masonic Fellowship.

Having this tradition of the beauty and service of Masonry in my own family, is it not a wonder that when I grew to be a man I had a desire to be a Mason? And it so happened that the son of this soldier of the South was initiated into the Order of Freemasonry not very far from where his father had been a prisoner of war, under the Grand jurisdiction of Illinois; in old Friendship Lodge, number seven. Now, that was a night that I can never forget. While I was in college I suffered from a lightness of purse that was so painful that I did not belong to any fraternities. I had no time to waste, no money to spend on anything but the bare necessities of life—and sometimes they were rather bare. So that I came into this order to receive my first impression of a secret fraternity, and it was profound and lasting. Somehow as I have further discovered the many beauties in Masonry, all of them benign and exalting, I still think that perhaps the most beautiful thing in all Masonry is its first degree.

The other Degrees followed, and at the close of the Third Degree there was a little banquet, as was the custom of that Lodge and perhaps in others, and the candidate of the evening was asked to express his impressions of Masonry. Well, there were so many, they were so vivid and so deeply spiritual, that I found difficulty in putting into words what was strong in my mind. But I did manage to ask if there was any little book that would tell a young man entering the Order the things that he

would most like to know about Masonry: What it is, whence it came, and what it is trying to do in the World? No one present that evening knew of any such little book. So I began to ask questions of the Master of the Lodge, as to what the meaning of the Lodge was, of what it was a symbol, what was the meaning of the exercises in the preparation room, the knocks at the door, the movements about the Lodge, and the different symbols that I became aware of when I entered the Light? I asked him why he did this, and why he did that, and why he did the other? "Well," he said, "we do it because that is the way Masons have always done things." Which is only saying that we do it because we do it.

Not satisfied with such an answer, I asked, "Why? What do you mean by it?" Alas, he could not tell me. I did not blame him then, and I do not blame him now; but I was full of innumerable questions, because I came into old Friendship Lodge fresh from Harvard University, and it seemed to me that a thing so impressive and so stately must have a long history, must have a deep meaning; and I wanted to know both. I had made some study of Egyptology, and I saw about me certain signs and symbols that brought echoes from a long past. And so, receiving no satisfaction from the Master of the Lodge in answer to those questions, I ventured to ask a member of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. While he told me of the moral suggestions of the symbolism of the order, and gave me very briefly and in vague outline the story of modern Masonry, from the founding of the Mother Grand Lodge of England down to our day, back of that he could not go, and deeper than that he did not dig.

After a time, while I enjoyed the ceremonies of the various degrees I lost some of my interest in the Order. Years later I went to live in Iowa, and I found there, as Grand Master at that time, a remarkable man, as big in body as he is in mind, who had appointed a committee to investigate the literature of the Order, if perchance he might discover such a little book as I had asked for on the night on which I received the third degree in Masonry. He was looking for such a book in order that he might put it into the hands of all young men who were received into the fellowship of masonry in Iowa. Unable to find just what he wanted, it fell to my lot, after fourteen years, to prepare the little book that I felt the need of years before; and that is the story of "The Builders." If I have done nothing else, I hope I have made it a little easier for young men entering the Masonic fraternity, and whose minds are filled with so many questions that lead into so many interesting fields of study, to find such a little book; and I hope my labor is not in vain.

One of the first things that impressed me when I entered old Friendship Lodge was the fact that it contained in its fellowship men of every political party; and, later when looking into the history of the Order, and its principles, I learned that questions of politics that divided men and sometimes estranged and embittered them, were not permitted in a

Masonic Lodge. To me that was a very eloquent fact. Knowing something of the bitter partisan spirit in the history of American politics, it seemed to me a wonderful thing that there should be a great, kindly fellowship that eliminated such questions, and permitted men of all parties to meet as man to man in the simple, fundamental fellowship of humanity without regard to party.

As I looked further into the history and philosophy of the Order, I learned the deep reason why the Ancient Masons prohibited political discussions in their Lodge rooms, and it seems to me that time has only confirmed the wisdom of our fathers in that regard, as in so many other regards. Just now there is a tendency in some parts of the country, under one pretext or another, in one form or another, to bring political issues within the Masonic fellowship. It would be a great blunder; it would make our Masonry something different, something dangerously different from the Masonry of our fathers. It will cease to be an order which unites men, and will become only a tiny atom in an indistinguishable blur of partisan feuds. So, Brethren, let us use words in their right meanings, and not try to stretch or twist the word "politics" so as to bring in under any kind of excuse the thing which our fathers so wisely excluded from our Lodges.

Another thing that impressed me that night in old Friendship Lodge was the presence of men of nearly all the religious persuasions represented in the community. There is a certain stage in the growth of a town,—a certain gosling stage, as I sometimes describe it,—when it is neither a town nor a city; when it is divided up into cliques and parties, and when sectarian rivalry is very acute. It was so in that community at that time, whatever may be its state of mind now. In that Lodge room were gathered men who were supposed to be rivals on the outside of the room, and they met in a spirit of fraternity and good will. As I passed through the Degrees, I found that the Order placed emphasis only upon those profound and fundamental things that underlie all religions, and over-arch all creeds, and that upon that platform, these men, however they might differ in the details of dogma and ceremony, stood together man to man, brother to brother, in the spirit of fellowship.

Later, when I studied the story of the Order, and particularly the founding of the Mother Grand Lodge of England, and looked at the back-ground of sectarian bitterness, confusion and bickerings, which marked that time, and against that dark back-ground saw the men who founded the Mother Grand Lodge, and the fundamental principles of religion which they enshrined into their constitution, it seemed to me that such an event was forever memorable and prophetic. But I am letting the hounds get ahead of the hare. As I pondered over my initiation that night, it seemed to me that I had come into an Order which was prophetic of a time when men would discover outside the Lodge, as they discovered

inside, that the things that they have in common, the things upon which they do agree, are of so much greater importance that they will overshadow the things about which they have debated so long. It seemed to me that I stood at an altar which was prophetic of a time when the estranged religious units of the world would be brought closer together, and men would ask not, "What is your creed?" But, "What is your need?" And when they thus arrive, the scene will be presided over by the beautiful genius of Freemasonry, which has prophesied it for centuries.

Naturally, I wished to know something of the story of such an altar, and so I went back into the past as far as literature and records would take me. Perhaps you will let me tell you a few of the things that I discovered. I found that primitive society had three great institutions with which we are familiar, and one that we need to rediscover. First, it had the home, crude indeed, as all things were in the beginning of the world, yet that rude home had in it the prophesy of the home in which you were born, with its tenderness, its beauty, and its memories. It had the church, not then a church, nor a great temple, but only an altar of unhewn stone, its rites crude, its smoke of incense ascending in a cloud of fear. Yet in the darkness of it all was a gleam of that light which never was on land or sea. Third, there was the State or tribal form of government—very rude at first, very imperfect, but the basis and prophesy of this great republic in which we live.

But there was another institution, of which I had known nothing at all, and the very existence of which I had not guessed. It was called the Man's House. It stood at the center of every village, and was really the center of the life of primitive society. It was the secret house of initiation, in which every man of the tribe, when he became of age, was initiated, trained, sworn, and then entrusted with the law, legend, history and religion of his people. Here is the origin of all secret orders, of whatever kind, and this is what our Masonic fathers meant when they said that Masonry is as old as the race. Certainly the idea, necessity and practice of initiation goes back to the beginning. For years I have followed the different ceremonies of initiation used in different primitive secret societies, and I have found that while they differed, each having a certain local color of its own, they had certain basic things in common; that the purpose was always the same, the spirit was always the same, and that nearly always the climax was the same. Nearly always there was a degree which represented, in a dramatic form, the death and the resurrection of the candidate. Those early initiations were frightful, Brethren. Men were exposed not only to physical dangers, but to spiritual terrors, in order to test their physical courage, their mental power; and their moral trustworthiness. When they were so proved, they were admitted into the secret order of primitive society, and given

certain words and tokens and grips and signs whereby they could make themselves known everywhere; and I was much interested in discovering how universal are the signs and tokens which we use in our Lodges. If you will think about it, they are the natural gestures of greeting, of distress or of brotherliness, and because they are so natural they have been used the world over. For Masonry has as a part of its genius the wisdom to use what is old and wise and human.

Continuing my study, I have followed the history of this Men's House of primitive society down the years until it became associated with the art of building, because of the importance of architecture. I traced the Order of Builders out of Egypt into Asia Minor, where they built the Temple of King Solomon; then westward into Rome and the College of Architects, up to the time when the Roman Empire reeled to its ruin. Then they seem to have taken refuge on an island in Lake Como, and from there I traced them to the great Order of the Cathedral builders who uplifted those shrines of beauty and prayer which the great war has destroyed. When the cathedrals were built the Order began to decline. They were called Freemasons because they were permitted to go wherever their work called them; because they were free from taxation; because they enjoyed many legal privileges not granted to other bodies; because of their exceeding importance as master builders. Free, also, to distinguish them from guild Masons, because a guild Mason could not go outside the town in which he lived, whereas Freemasons could journey far and near.

When the Order began to decline, men who were scholars and thinkers and students, but not architects, began to ask to be received in its membership; men like Ashmole, who founded the Museum at Oxford, England. They were accepted, and hence the name Free and Accepted Mason. These men sought membership in the Order because they found in it a rich deposit of symbolism which was worth their study, and in some Lodges the Accepted Masons were in the majority. Such was the fact in 1717,—a date which will be celebrated in every jurisdiction of the world,—the founding of the Grand Lodge of England. That date, June 1717, gave a new impetus and a new emphasis to Masonry, and it spread rapidly all over the world, going wherever the great race, in whose City it was founded, made its way over the earth.

And so Masonry came to our shores, very early, long before our republic was founded, before even the name "United States" was ever spoken. It was a great day when this kindly and friendly Order, with its spirit of justice, liberty, tolerance, intellectual courtesy, brotherly love and spiritual refinement, put its foot upon our shores. To tell the story of the connection of Masonry with the history of this country, and particularly with the history of our republic, would be to repeat a romance. It was not an accident that the Tea Party in Boston Bay was

planned in a Masonic Lodge and executed by the members of that Lodge. It was not a mere coincident that the first President of this Republic was also a Master Mason, and that so many of those who united in forming the organic law of this Republic were Master Masons. And, because the spirit of Masons had become a part of their thinking and living, they wrote it into the very fundamental law of our land. So it has been all down our history. This republic has never had a better friend than the Ancient Order of Free Masonry, and it never will have. In every great hour of National trial in the past, our Order has stood true to our Republic, and as it will stand true today in the crisis through which we are now passing,—perhaps the greatest crisis in all our history, —when the flag will need the love and loyalty of every true American. Masons from one end of the land to the other will insist that the flag shall protect every citizen, and that every citizen shall protect the flag.

Naturally my study of Masonry increased my zeal for promoting an interest in the study of it among my Brethren; and hence my association with this movement in behalf of Masonic education. What is education? Let me put together two famous definitions, one by Huxley and the other by Milton, and they will tell us what it is. Education is the training of the intellect in the law of nature, and the fashioning of the affections and of the will into an earnest loving desire to live in harmony with those laws, that a man may be fitted, justly, skillfully and magnanimously to perform every office, both private and public, of peace or of war.

If you would sum it up all in one word, it could not be better described than by the one word used by that mighty German genius,—the greatest man Germany has known, except Luther—Goethe, when he used the word Reverence. Reverence, first, for that which is below us, for the tiny, teaming, swarming forms of life at our feet. Such reverence led a poet to say that he would not count among his friends a man who would needlessly put his foot upon a worm, or wantonly and cruelly take life from any living creature. Reverence, in the second place, for that which is on the level with ourselves, for the human, for all that wears the human shape, however deformed or sin-bespotted, or far fallen; the insight to see behind every face, however scarred or blackened, something noble and divine. And reverence, in the third place, for that which is above us, which out-tops our knowledge, and upon which we are every moment dependent. That one word, so expounded, might be used as a synonym for education,—Reverence.

What do we mean by a profane? Why do we so describe a man who is not a Mason? What is the difference between this Lodge room and the street? Answer that question, and it will describe the difference between a mind that is reverent and one that is irreverent. Anything and anybody can go through the street, a cow or a cat or dog, but not so in our Lodge room. Here certain thoughts and things are excluded.

Just so, a man who is profane will allow any kind of thought, no matter how slimy, to go wiggling and squirming through his mind; but if he is a Mason in the true sense, his mind is a place of reverence, and there are some thoughts that will not be permitted to enter when they knock, no matter how many knocks they give at the door. Some sentiments will be put out as cowans and eavesdroppers, and not be permitted to pollute the sanctity of his mind and of his heart.

Perhaps a description of education is better than a definition, and there is a story translated from the literature of ancient East by Max Müller which is a perfect parable of what I have in mind. The gods, so runs this story, having stolen from man his divinity, met to decide where they should hide it. It was a long, solemn, secret council. One suggested that it be buried in the earth, but the caution was expressed that man might dig there and find that pearl of great price. Another suggested that it be taken and dropped into the depths of the sea, but the same fear was expressed that man, being a great wanderer, and having an insatiable curiosity, might go even to the depths of the sea to find the lost treasure. Finally the oldest and wisest of the gods said in a whisper, lest it be heard outside the council chamber; "Let us hide it in man himself, as that is the last place he will ever think to look for it." And it was so agreed. Man did dig into the earth, bringing up gold and silver and precious ore, and he did go over the sea and down under the sea, seeking high and low, and far and near, before he thought to look within himself to find the God whom he sought. Evermore the lost word is near us, even in our hearts, and happy is the man who finds it. It is more precious than all the gold in all the templed hills.

Education, then, in the Masonic sense, as I understand it, is this discovery of whence we came, who we are, and where we are going. What is the first question that Masonry asks you at the door? Is it not just this question? She wishes to know whence you came, and what is your purpose here on earth. Without waiting to receive your answer, for you are not then truly qualified to give an answer, she admits you into her Temple, tells you whence you came and why you are here upon earth,—the reason for your life, its excuse for being. She helps you towards that self-discovery which is the awakening of the soul, the beginning of its advance, morally, intellectually, and spiritually. Moreover, in the first degree she trained you in the simple, old, homely, fundamental morality which underlies not only individual character, and is the strength and support of society.

In the second degree she asks you who you are, and adds another lesson, another step, in that process of self-discovery by teaching you that you are an intellectual being, that you have intellectual powers that must be developed, and put to the highest uses. Hence her recommendation that you look into the arts and sciences and master the great prob-

lems of life, climbing up slowly but surely to wider intellectual outlooks, where there are longer vistas and lifting skies. For this reason, as in the olden time, every Lodge is a school for the training of the mind in the moral Geometry of God—training us to think truly, clearly, justly, kindly. For as a man thinkest in his heart, so is he, and so is the world to him—luminous and lovely or dark and dreadful.

Finally, in the Third Degree, Masonry asks that most solemn of all questions, which every man who thinks asks his own heart again and again: "Whither goest thou?" What is the meaning of all this stream of human beings pouring in upon the earth, passing swiftly across it,—some sadly, some gladly—and vanishing into the beyond? Whither do they go? What is the destiny of this endless procession? Masonry seeks, in her third degree, to make you realize, my Brother, that you are an immortal spirit here, now, upon the earth. It initiates us, symbolically, into the Eternal Life in Time. If we are immortal at all, we are as immortal now as we ever can be, and to know that fact, and to govern ourselves accordingly, is the supreme human experience. It takes away the fear of death. It makes you a Master of life and time. For surely there is no tyranny like the tyranny of time. Give a man one day in which to live, and how cramped he is. The tick of a watch sounds like a gong. Give him a week and you have liberated him, insofar, and he can breathe more easily. Give him a year, and he can move with more leisure and more amplitude. But let him know that he is divine; that above him there hovers and waits an infinite time; let him know that he is an immortal being and he is free! He can spread his wings and think as far and as fast as his mind can go. He can lay out great plans, and labor for their fulfilling; he can dream great dreams. It adds to the dignity, worth and glory of life. And this is the great insight, prophesy and experience which Masonry would awaken in our hearts,—the master truth of the Master's Degree. And so, while teaching us how to live, Masonry would fortify us against the Shadow that waits for every man—teaching us, as Dante said, "how to make our lives eternal."

How beautiful it is that an Ancient Order, coming down to us from the earliest time, should win elect young men to its fellowship, and ask them such great questions. And as they bow at its altar, upon the Bible which their mother's read, it exacts from them high and solemn vows of chastity, of charity, of brotherly love, relief and truth. What is it that makes a man great? It is a great faith and a great idea. Ideas rule the World. Above the battle lines in Europe, if you have eyes to see, you can discover two wars now raging, as long ago Homer saw two battles above the City of Troy,—one between the Greeks and Trojans, and one in the viewless air between gods and goddesses. Just so, above the long battle lines you can now see a battle of ideas. Ideas migrate like birds. They hide in crooked lines on a printed page. They force us into the

arena to fight for them. Ideas rule the world. Get a right and true idea into the mind of a young man, and you have done more for him than by giving him any treasure of silver or precious stones. When Masonry brings a young man to an altar of prayer, in an atmosphere of reverence, and before the open book which is the moral manual of civilization, and plants in his mind great, simple, luminous and valid ideas of what it is to be a man, and what life means, it has rendered to him the highest service that any Institution can render to a man.

This is what I mean, Brethren, by Masonic education, not some dry digging into dusty old documents which have no practical relation to the human life of today. I mean that we should study the story of this Order, its origin and growth, its uses, its great principles and their expression in ritual; but still more the expression of those principles in character and their application to every day life. Truth is for life, and we know as much as we do. I believe that this is worth while for the future of Masonry, for its increased efficiency, and for a deepening of interest in it. Numbers do not count. Size does not signify. It is quality of manhood, quality of thinking and feeling that counts in the long result of time. And Masonry, by bringing men together and teaching them to be friends, without regard to creed, or sect, or party, and training them in the service of great ideals, in loyalty to the great truths, is doing more for the safety and sanctity of this great Republic than both its army and its navy.

"Oh! the cedars of Lebanon grow at our door,
And the quarry is sunk at our gate;
And the ships out of Ophir, with golden ore,
For our summoning mandate wait;
And the word of a Master Mason
May the house of our soul create!
While the day hath light let the light be used,
For no man shall the night control!
Or ever the silver cord be loosed,
Or broken the golden bowl,
May we build King Solomon's Temple
In the true Masonic Soul!"

For the rest, in closing, as at the beginning, let me thank you for your kindly and brotherly greeting, and say that if any of you, after the war is over, should come to the City of London in your wanderings, I hope you will make your way to the City Temple and that you will not go away without letting me meet you again.

## VOTE ON AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

To comply with 146-L of the Constitution the vote of the constituent lodges, showing the charter number of each lodge voting in the affirmative and also of each voting in the negative is herewith given.

**The Amendment to Sec. 53 of the Constitution**

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| 1—Aye | 59—Aye | 111—No | 157—Aye | 208—No | 257—No |
| 2—No | 60—No | 113—No | 158—* | 209—Aye | 260—Aye |
| 3—No | 61—Aye | 114—No | 159—No | 210—Aye | 261—* |
| 4—Aye | 63—Aye | 115—Aye | 160—No | 211—Aye | 262—No |
| 7—Aye | 64—Aye | 116—Aye | 161—Aye | 212—No | 263—No |
| 8—Aye | 65—Aye | 117—Aye | 162—Aye | 213—* | 264—Aye |
| 9—Aye | 66—Aye | 118—No | 164—No | 214—* | 265—No |
| 13—Aye | 67—No | 119—No | 165—No | 216—Aye | 266—No |
| 14—Aye | 69—No | 122—Aye | 166—Aye | 217—* | 267—Aye |
| 15—No | 71—No | 123—No | 168—Aye | 218—Aye | 268—Aye |
| 16—Aye | 72—* | 124—No | 169—* | 219—No | 269—Aye |
| 17—No | 74—Aye | 125—Aye | 170—Aye | 220—No | 270—Aye |
| 19—No | 75—No | 126—Aye | 171—Aye | 221—Aye | 271—Aye |
| 20—No | 76—Aye | 127—No | 172—Aye | 222—No | 272—* |
| 23—* | 77—Aye | 128—No | 173—No | 226—No | 273—Aye |
| 24—* | 78—Aye | 129—No | 174—Aye | 227—No | 274—No |
| 25—No | 79—Aye | 130—No | 175—Aye | 228—No | 275—No |
| 27—No | 80—* | 131—No | 176—No | 229—Aye | 276—* |
| 29—Aye | 81—Aye | 132—No | 177—Aye | 230—Aye | 277—No |
| 31—Aye | 84—No | 133—No | 178—No | 231—* | 278—Aye |
| 33—No | 85—Aye | 134—* | 179—No | 232—* | 279—Aye |
| 34—* | 86—No | 135—Aye | 180—No | 233—* | 280—Aye |
| 35—Aye | 87—Aye | 136—Aye | 182—Aye | 234—No | 282—* |
| 36—Aye | 88—No | 137—* | 183—No | 235—Aye | 283—Aye |
| 37—No | 89—Aye | 138—* | 185—No | 236—Aye | 285—* |
| 38—Aye | 90—Aye | 139—Aye | 187—Aye | 237—Aye | 286—No |
| 39—No | 91—No | 140—Aye | 188—No | 238—No | 287—No |
| 40—No | 92—Aye | 141—Aye | 189—Aye | 239—No | 288—Aye |
| 42—No | 93—* | 142—Aye | 190—No | 240—Aye | 291—No |
| 43—Aye | 95—* | 143—Aye | 192—Aye | 241—No | 292—No |
| 44—* | 96—No | 144—Aye | 193—No | 243—Aye | 293—No |
| 45—Aye | 97—Aye | 145—No | 194—No | 244—No | 294—Aye |
| 46—Aye | 98—No | 146—* | 195—* | 245—Aye | 295—Aye |
| 47—* | 99—Aye | 147—No | 196—* | 246—No | 296—No |
| 48—No | 100—No | 148—Aye | 197—No | 247—Aye | 297—Aye |
| 49—No | 102—Aye | 149—Aye | 199—* | 248—No | 298—* |
| 50—No | 103—* | 150—No | 200—No | 249—* | 301—* |
| 51—Aye | 104—No | 151—No | 201—Aye | 250—No | 302—No |
| 52—No | 105—No | 152—No | 203—Aye | 251—* | 303—* |
| 53—No | 106—No | 153—Aye | 204—* | 252—Aye | 305—No |
| 55—Aye | 108—* | 154—* | 205—* | 253—* | 306—Aye |
| 57—Aye | 109—No | 155—Aye | 206—Aye | 254—Aye | 307—Aye |
| 58—Aye | 110—Aye | 156—No | 207—Aye | 255—* | 308—Aye |

*Lodges not voting.

**The Amendment to Sec. 53 of the Constitution**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 309—Aye | 368—No | 431—No | 489—Aye | 552—* | 620—* |
| 310—Aye | 369—Aye | 432—Aye | 490—No | 554—Aye | 622—No |
| 311—Aye | 371—Aye | 433—Aye | 491—* | 555—No | 623—No |
| 312—Aye | 373—* | 434—* | 492—Aye | 556—No | 627—* |
| 313—* | 374—* | 436—No | 493—No | 557—No | 630—No |
| 314—Aye | 378—No | 437—Aye | 495—* | 558—* | 631—Aye |
| 316—Aye | 379—No | 440—* | 496—No | 559—Aye | 632—Aye |
| 318—No | 380—* | 441—Aye | 497—No | 560—Aye | 633—Aye |
| 319—Aye | 382—No | 442—Aye | 498—* | 562—Aye | 634—* |
| 320—Aye | 383—* | 443—Aye | 500—Aye | 564—Aye | 635—No |
| 321—No | 384—No | 444—* | 501—Aye | 565—* | 636—Aye |
| 322—* | 385—No | 445—* | 502—* | 566—No | 639—No |
| 323—* | 386—Aye | 446—No | 503—No | 567—* | 641—* |
| 325—Aye | 388—Aye | 447—* | 504—Aye | 569—Aye | 642—No |
| 327—* | 389—Aye | 448—No | 505—Aye | 570—Aye | 643—No |
| 330—Aye | 390—* | 449—Aye | 506—* | 572—No | 644—No |
| 331—* | 391—Aye | 450—No | 508—Aye | 573—* | 645—* |
| 332—No | 392—No | 451—Aye | 509—No | 574—* | 646—* |
| 333—Aye | 393—Aye | 453—No | 510—No | 575—Aye | 647—No |
| 334—No | 394—No | 454—Aye | 512—Aye | 576—* | 648—No |
| 335—No | 396—* | 455—Aye | 514—Aye | 577—No | 651—No |
| 336—Aye | 397—No | 456—Aye | 516—No | 578—Aye | 653—* |
| 337—No | 398—No | 458—No | 517—No | 580—* | 655—Aye |
| 339—No | 399—No | 460—Aye | 518—No | 581—Aye | 656—Aye |
| 340—No | 401—Aye | 461—No | 519—* | 582—No | 657—Aye |
| 341—* | 402—No | 462—Aye | 520—Aye | 583—Aye | 658—No |
| 342—Aye | 403—* | 463—No | 521—Aye | 584—No | 659—Aye |
| 344—* | 404—Aye | 464—No | 522—Aye | 585—No | 660—No |
| 345—No | 405—Aye | 465—No | 523—* | 587—Aye | 662—Aye |
| 346—Aye | 406—* | 466—Aye | 524—Aye | 588—Aye | 664—No |
| 347—* | 408—No | 467—No | 526—Aye | 590—No | 665—* |
| 348—Aye | 409—No | 468—* | 527—Aye | 591—No | 666—No |
| 349—Aye | 410—No | 469—Aye | 528—No | 592—* | 667—Aye |
| 350—No | 411—Aye | 470—Aye | 529—* | 595—No | 668—* |
| 351—No | 414—Aye | 471—No | 530—Aye | 600—Aye | 669—No |
| 352—* | 415—Aye | 472—Aye | 531—No | 601—* | 670—* |
| 353—No | 416—No | 473—No | 532—Aye | 602—No | 672—No |
| 354—Aye | 417—No | 474—Aye | 533—No | 603—No | 673—Aye |
| 355—Aye | 418—Aye | 475—Aye | 534—* | 604—* | 674—Aye |
| 356—Aye | 419—Aye | 476—Aye | 535—Aye | 607—Aye | 675—No |
| 358—Aye | 420—No | 477—* | 536—* | 608—Aye | 676—Aye |
| 359—Aye | 421—Aye | 478—No | 537—* | 609—Aye | 677—Aye |
| 360—No | 422—No | 479—* | 538—Aye | 610—No | 679—Aye |
| 361—Aye | 423—* | 481—No | 539—No | 611—Aye | 680—Aye |
| 362—* | 424—* | 482—Aye | 540—Aye | 612—No | 681—Aye |
| 363—Aye | 426—No | 484—No | 541—* | 613—No | 682—Aye |
| 364—No | 427—No | 485—Aye | 542—No | 614—* | 683—* |
| 365—Aye | 428—No | 486—No | 544—No | 616—No | 684—* |
| 366—No | 429—Aye | 487—No | 547—No | 617—* | 685—No |
| 367—No | 430—No | 488—Aye | 550—Aye | 618—No | 686—No |

*Lodges not voting.

**The Amendment to Sec. 53 of the Constitution**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 687—No | 746—No | 801—Aye | 853—* | 903—No | 953—No |
| 688—No | 747—Aye | 802—No | 854—Aye | 904—Aye | 954—No |
| 690—No | 748—Aye | 803—No | 855—Aye | 905—No | 955—Aye |
| 691—* | 749—* | 804—Aye | 856—* | 906—* | 956—No |
| 692—Aye | 750—No | 805—Aye | 857—* | 907—* | 957—Aye |
| 693—Aye | 751—Aye | 806—No | 858—Aye | 908—Aye | 958—No |
| 695—Aye | 752—No | 807—* | 859—No | 909—No | 959—No |
| 696—No | 754—* | 808—Aye | 860—No | 910—Aye | 960—Aye |
| 697—No | 755—Aye | 809—Aye | 861—* | 911—No | 961—Aye |
| 698—* | 756—No | 810—Aye | 862—* | 912—* | 962—Aye |
| 700—* | 757—No | 811—* | 863—Aye | 913—No | 963—* |
| 701—No | 758—No | 812—* | 864—No | 914—Aye | 964—No |
| 702—No | 759—No | 813—No | 865—Aye | 915—Aye | 965—Aye |
| 704—No | 761—No | 814—No | 866—Aye | 916—N | 966—Aye |
| 705—Aye | 762—Aye | 815—No | 867—Aye | 917—Aye | 967—* |
| 706—* | 763—No | 816—Aye | 868—No | 918—No | 968—Aye |
| 709—No | 764—No | 817—No | 869—Aye | 919—No | 969—No |
| 710—* | 765—Aye | 818—No | 870—No | 920—Aye | 970—No |
| 711—Aye | 766—* | 819—No | 871—Aye | 921—Aye | 971—Aye |
| 712—* | 767—Aye | 820—No | 872—* | 922—No | 972—Aye |
| 713—No | 768—Aye | 821—Aye | 873—Aye | 923—Aye | 973—No |
| 714—No | 769—* | 822—* | 874—* | 924—No | 974—Aye |
| 715—Aye | 770—Aye | 823—No | 875—Aye | 925—Aye | 975—Aye |
| 716—No | 771—* | 824—No | 876—No | 926—Aye | 976—Aye |
| 717—Aye | 772—Aye | 825—Aye | 877—Aye | 927—Aye | 977—Aye |
| 718—* | 773—Aye | 826—No | 878—No | 928—* | 978—Aye |
| 719—* | 774—Aye | 827—Aye | 879—No | 929—Aye | 979—Aye |
| 721—No | 776—Aye | 829—Yes | 880—Aye | 930—Aye | 980—* |
| 722—No | 777—Aye | 830—* | 881—Yes | 931—Aye | 981—Aye |
| 723—* | 778—No | 831—No | 882—No | 932—Aye | 982—Aye |
| 724—Aye | 779—Aye | 832—Aye | 883—* | 933—No | 983—Aye |
| 725—Aye | 780—Aye | 833—No | 884—No | 934—Aye | 984—Aye |
| 726—No | 782—No | 834—No | 885—No | 935—* | 985—No |
| 727—* | 783—Aye | 835—Aye | 886—Aye | 936—Aye | 986—Aye |
| 728—* | 784—No | 836—No | 887—Aye | 937—Aye | 987—Aye |
| 729—No | 786—No | 837—* | 888—Aye | 938—No | 988—No |
| 730—* | 787—No | 838—* | 889—No | 939—Aye | 989—No |
| 731—Aye | 788—No | 839—Aye | 890—Aye | 940—Aye | 990—* |
| 732—* | 789—Aye | 840—No | 891—Aye | 941—Aye | 991—Aye |
| 733—Aye | 790—No | 841—No | 892—Aye | 942—Aye | 992—Aye |
| 734—No | 791—No | 842—Aye | 893—No | 943—Aye | 993—Aye |
| 735—No | 792—* | 843—Aye | 894—No | 944—Aye | 994—Aye |
| 737—* | 793—Aye | 845—No | 895—No | 945—No | 995—No |
| 738—* | 794—No | 846—No | 896—No | 946—Aye | 996—Aye |
| 739—No | 795—No | 847—* | 897—Aye | 947—Aye | 997—No |
| 741—Aye | 796—No | 848—* | 898—No | 948—No | 998—Aye |
| 742—Aye | 797—No | 849—No | 899—No | 949—* | 999—Aye |
| 743—No | 798—* | 850—Aye | 900—Aye | 950—No | 1000—* |
| 744—* | 799—No | 851—Aye | 901—Aye | 951—* | 1001—Aye |
| 745—Aye | 800—Aye | 852—Aye | 902—Aye | 952—* | 1002—Aye |

*Lodges not voting.

Total vote—Aye 374; No 321.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1—Aye | 67—Aye | 128—Aye | 180—Aye | 240—Aye | 298—* |
| 2—Aye | 69—Aye | 129—Aye | 182—Aye | 241—Aye | 301—* |
| 3—Aye | 71—Aye | 130—Aye | 183—Aye | 243—Aye | 302—Aye |
| 4—Aye | 72—* | 131—Aye | 185—Aye | 244—Aye | 303—* |
| 7—Aye | 74—Aye | 132—Aye | 187—Aye | 245—Aye | 305—Aye |
| 8—Aye | 75—Aye | 133—Aye | 188—Aye | 246—Aye | 306—Aye |
| 9—Aye | 76—Aye | 134—* | 189—Aye | 247—Aye | 307—Aye |
| 13—Aye | 77—Aye | 135—Aye | 190—Aye | 248—Aye | 308—Aye |
| 14—Aye | 78—Aye | 136—Aye | 192—Aye | 249—* | 309—Aye |
| 15—Aye | 79—Aye | 137—* | 193—Aye | 250—Aye | 310—Aye |
| 16—Aye | 80—* | 138—* | 194—Aye | 251—* | 311—Aye |
| 17—Aye | 81—Aye | 139—Aye | 195—* | 252—Aye | 312—Aye |
| 19—Aye | 84—Aye | 140—Aye | 196—* | 253—* | 313—* |
| 20—Aye | 85—Aye | 141—Aye | 197—Aye | 254—Aye | 314—Aye |
| 23—* | 86—Aye | 142—Aye | 199—* | 255—* | 316—Aye |
| 24—* | 87—Aye | 143—Aye | 200—Aye | 257—Aye | 318—Aye |
| 25—Aye | 88—Aye | 144—Aye | 201—Aye | 260—Aye | 319—Aye |
| 27—Aye | 89—Aye | 145—Aye | 203—Aye | 261—* | 320—Aye |
| 29—Aye | 90—Aye | 146—* | 204—* | 262—Aye | 321—Aye |
| 31—Aye | 91—Aye | 147—Aye | 205—* | 263—Aye | 322—* |
| 33—Aye | 92—Aye | 148—Aye | 206—Aye | 264—Aye | 323—* |
| 34—* | 93—* | 149—Aye | 207—Aye | 265—Aye | 325—Aye |
| 35—Aye | 95—* | 150—Aye | 208—Aye | 266—Aye | 327—* |
| 36—Aye | 96—Aye | 151—Aye | 209—Aye | 267—Aye | 330—Aye |
| 37—Aye | 97—Aye | 152—No | 210—Aye | 268—Aye | 331—* |
| 38—Aye | 98—Aye | 153—Aye | 211—Aye | 269—Aye | 332—Aye |
| 39—Aye | 99—Aye | 154—* | 212—Aye | 270—Aye | 333—Aye |
| 40—Aye | 100—Aye | 155—Aye | 213—* | 271—Aye | 334—Aye |
| 42—Aye | 102—Aye | 156—Aye | 214—* | 272—* | 335—Aye |
| 43—Aye | 103—* | 157—Aye | 216—Aye | 273—Aye | 336—Aye |
| 44—* | 104—Aye | 158—* | 217—* | 274—Aye | 337—Aye |
| 45—Aye | 105—Aye | 159—Aye | 218—No | 275—Aye | 339—Aye |
| 46—Aye | 106—Aye | 160—Aye | 219—Aye | 276—* | 340—Aye |
| 47—* | 108—* | 161—Aye | 220—Aye | 277—Aye | 341—* |
| 48—Aye | 109—Aye | 162—Aye | 221—Aye | 278—Aye | 342—Aye |
| 49—Aye | 110—Aye | 164—Aye | 222—Aye | 279—Aye | 344—* |
| 50—Aye | 111—Aye | 165—Aye | 226—Aye | 280—Aye | 345—Aye |
| 51—Aye | 113—Aye | 166—Aye | 227—Aye | 282—* | 346—Aye |
| 52—Aye | 114—Aye | 168—Aye | 228—Aye | 283—Aye | 347—* |
| 53—Aye | 115—Aye | 169—* | 229—Aye | 285—* | 348—Aye |
| 55—Aye | 116—Aye | 170—Aye | 230—Aye | 286—Aye | 349—Aye |
| 57—Aye | 117—Aye | 171—Aye | 231—* | 287—Aye | 350—Aye |
| 58—Aye | 118—Aye | 172—Aye | 232—* | 288—Aye | 351—Aye |
| 59—Aye | 119—Aye | 173—Aye | 233—* | 291—Aye | 352—* |
| 60—Aye | 122—Aye | 174—Aye | 234—Aye | 292—Aye | 353—Aye |
| 61—Aye | 123—Aye | 175—Aye | 235—Aye | 293—Aye | 354—Aye |
| 63—Aye | 124—Aye | 176—Aye | 236—Aye | 294—Aye | 355—Aye |
| 64—Aye | 125—Aye | 177—Aye | 237—Aye | 295—Aye | 356—Aye |
| 65—Aye | 126—Aye | 178—Aye | 238—Aye | 296—Aye | 358—Aye |
| 66—Aye | 127—Aye | 179—Aye | 239—Aye | 297—Aye | 359—Aye |

*Lodges not voting.

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| 360—Aye | 422—Aye | 479—* | 538—Aye | 610—Aye | 679—Aye |
| 361—Aye | 423—* | 481—Aye | 539—Aye | 611—Aye | 680—Aye |
| 362—* | 424—* | 482—Aye | 540—Aye | 612—Aye | 681—Aye |
| 363—Aye | 426—Aye | 484—No | 541—* | 613—Aye | 682—Aye |
| 364—Aye | 427—Aye | 485—Aye | 542—No | 614—* | 683—* |
| 365—Aye | 428—Aye | 486—No | 544—Aye | 616—Aye | 684—* |
| 366—Aye | 429—Aye | 487—Aye | 547—Aye | 617—* | 685—Aye |
| 367—Aye | 430—Aye | 488—Aye | 550—Aye | 618—Aye | 686—Aye |
| 368—Aye | 431—Aye | 489—Aye | 552—* | 620—* | 687—Aye |
| 369—Aye | 432—Aye | 490—Aye | 554—Aye | 622—Aye | 688—Aye |
| 371—Aye | 433—Aye | 491—* | 555—Aye | 623—Aye | 690—Aye |
| 373—* | 434—* | 492—Aye | 556—Aye | 627—* | 691—* |
| 374—* | 436—Aye | 493—Aye | 557—Aye | 630—No | 692—Aye |
| 378—Aye | 437—Aye | 495—* | 558—* | 631—Aye | 693—Aye |
| 379—Aye | 440—* | 496—Aye | 559—Aye | 632—Aye | 695—Aye |
| 380—* | 441—Aye | 497—Aye | 560—Aye | 633—Aye | 696—Aye |
| 382—Aye | 442—Aye | 498—* | 562—Aye | 634—* | 697—Aye |
| 383—* | 443—Aye | 500—Aye | 564—Aye | 635—Aye | 698—* |
| 384—Aye | 444—* | 501—Aye | 565—* | 636—Aye | 700—* |
| 385—Aye | 445—* | 502—* | 566—Aye | 639—Aye | 701—Aye |
| 386—Aye | 446—Aye | 503—Aye | 567—* | 641—* | 702—Aye |
| 388—Aye | 447—* | 504—Aye | 569—* | 642—Aye | 704—Aye |
| 389—Aye | 448—Aye | 505—Aye | 570—Aye | 643—Aye | 705—Aye |
| 390—* | 449—Aye | 506—* | 572—Aye | 644—Aye | 706—* |
| 391—Aye | 450—Aye | 508—Aye | 573—* | 645—* | 709—Aye |
| 392—Aye | 451—Aye | 509—Aye | 574—* | 646—* | 710—* |
| 393—Aye | 453—Aye | 510—Aye | 575—Aye | 647—Aye | 711—Aye |
| 394—Aye | 454—Aye | 512—Aye | 576—* | 648—Aye | 712—* |
| 396—* | 455—Aye | 514—Aye | 577—Aye | 651—Aye | 713—Aye |
| 397—Aye | 456—Aye | 516—Aye | 578—Aye | 653—* | 714—Aye |
| 398—Aye | 458—Aye | 517—Aye | 580—* | 655—Aye | 715—Aye |
| 399—Aye | 460—Aye | 518—Aye | 581—Aye | 656—Aye | 716—Aye |
| 401—Aye | 461—No | 519—* | 582—Aye | 657—Aye | 717—Aye |
| 402—Aye | 462—Aye | 520—Aye | 583—Aye | 658—Aye | 718—* |
| 403—* | 463—Aye | 521—Aye | 584—Aye | 659—Aye | 719—* |
| 404—Aye | 464—Aye | 522—Aye | 585—Aye | 660—Aye | 721—Aye |
| 405—Aye | 465—No | 523—* | 587—Aye | 662—Aye | 722—Aye |
| 406—* | 466—Aye | 524—Aye | 588—Aye | 664—Aye | 723—* |
| 408—Aye | 467—Aye | 526—Aye | 590—Aye | 665—* | 724—Aye |
| 409—Aye | 468—* | 527—Aye | 591—Aye | 666—Aye | 725—Aye |
| 410—Aye | 469—Aye | 528—Aye | 592—* | 667—Aye | 726—Aye |
| 411—Aye | 470—Aye | 529—* | 595—No | 668—* | 727—* |
| 414—Aye | 471—Aye | 530—Aye | 600—Aye | 669—Aye | 728—* |
| 415—Aye | 472—Aye | 531—Aye | 601—* | 670—* | 729—Aye |
| 416—Aye | 473—Aye | 532—Aye | 602—Aye | 672—Aye | 730—* |
| 417—Aye | 474—Aye | 533—Aye | 603—Aye | 673—Aye | 731—Aye |
| 418—Aye | 475—Aye | 534—* | 604—* | 674—Aye | 732—* |
| 419—Aye | 476—Aye | 535—Aye | 607—Aye | 675—Aye | 733—Aye |
| 420—Aye | 477—* | 536—* | 608—Aye | 676—Aye | 734—Aye |
| 421—Aye | 478—Aye | 537—* | 609—Aye | 677—Aye | 735—Aye |

*Lodges not voting.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 737—* | 786—Aye | 830—* | 874—* | 918—Aye | 961—Aye |
| 738—* | 787—Aye | 831—Aye | 875—Aye | 919—Aye | 962—Aye |
| 739—Aye | 788—Aye | 832—Aye | 876—Aye | 920—Aye | 963—* |
| 741—Aye | 789—Aye | 833—Aye | 877—Aye | 921—Aye | 964—Aye |
| 742—Aye | 790—Aye | 834—Aye | 878—Aye | 922—Aye | 965—Aye |
| 743—Aye | 791—Aye | 835—Aye | 879—Aye | 923—Aye | 966—Aye |
| 744—* | 792—* | 836—Aye | 880—Aye | 924—Aye | 967—* |
| 745—Aye | 793—Aye | 837—* | 881—Aye | 925—Aye | 968—Aye |
| 746—Aye | 794—No | 838—* | 882—Aye | 926—Aye | 969—Aye |
| 747—Aye | 795—Aye | 839—Aye | 883—* | 927—Aye | 970—Aye |
| 748—Aye | 796—Aye | 840—Aye | 884—Aye | 928—* | 971—Aye |
| 749—* | 797—Aye | 841—Aye | 885—Aye | 929—Aye | 972—Aye |
| 750—Aye | 798—* | 842—Aye | 886—Aye | 930—Aye | 973—Aye |
| 751—Aye | 799—Aye | 843—Aye | 887—Aye | 931—Aye | 974—Aye |
| 752—Aye | 800—Aye | 845—Aye | 888—Aye | 932—Aye | 975—Aye |
| 754—* | 801—Aye | 846—Aye | 889—Aye | 933—Aye | 976—Aye |
| 755—Aye | 802—Aye | 847—* | 890—Aye | 934—Aye | 977—Aye |
| 756—Aye | 803—Aye | 848—* | 891—Aye | 935—* | 978—Aye |
| 757—Aye | 804—Aye | 849—Aye | 892—Aye | 936—Aye | 979—Aye |
| 758—Aye | 805—Aye | 850—Aye | 893—Aye | 937—Aye | 980—* |
| 759—Aye | 806—Aye | 851—Aye | 894—Aye | 938—Aye | 981—Aye |
| 761—Aye | 807—* | 852—Aye | 895—Aye | 939—Aye | 982—Aye |
| 762—Aye | 808—Aye | 853—* | 896—Aye | 940—Aye | 983—Aye |
| 763—Aye | 809—Aye | 854—Aye | 897—Aye | 941—Aye | 984—Aye |
| 764—Aye | 810—Aye | 855—Aye | 898—Aye | 942—Aye | 985—Aye |
| 765—Aye | 811—* | 856—* | 900—Aye | 943—Aye | 986—Aye |
| 766—* | 812—* | 857—* | 901—Aye | 944—Aye | 987—Aye |
| 767—Aye | 813—Aye | 858—Aye | 902—Aye | 945—Aye | 988—Aye |
| 768—Aye | 814—Aye | 859—Aye | 903—Aye | 946—Aye | 989—Aye |
| 769—* | 815—Aye | 860—Aye | 904—Aye | 947—Aye | 990—* |
| 770—Aye | 816—Aye | 861—* | 905—Aye | 948—Aye | 991—Aye |
| 771—* | 817—Aye | 862—* | 906—* | 949—* | 992—Aye |
| 772—Aye | 818—Aye | 863—Aye | 907—* | 950—Aye | 993—Aye |
| 773—Aye | 819—Aye | 864—Aye | 908—Aye | 951—* | 994—Aye |
| 774—Aye | 820—Aye | 865—Aye | 909—Aye | 952—* | 995—Aye |
| 776—Aye | 821—Aye | 866—Aye | 910—Aye | 953—Aye | 996—Aye |
| 777—Aye | 822—* | 867—Aye | 911—Aye | 954—Aye | 997—Aye |
| 778—Aye | 823—Aye | 868—Aye | 912—* | 955—Aye | 998—Aye |
| 779—Aye | 824—Aye | 869—Aye | 913—Aye | 956—Aye | 999—Aye |
| 780—Aye | 825—Aye | 870—Aye | 914—Aye | 957—Aye | 1000—* |
| 782—Aye | 826—Aye | 871—Aye | 915—Aye | 958—Aye | 1001—Aye |
| 783—Aye | 827—Aye | 872—* | 916—Aye | 959—Aye | 1002—Aye |
| 784—Aye | 829—Aye | 873—Aye | 917—Aye | 960—Aye | |

*Lodges not voting.

Total vote—Aye 685; No 10.

## DETAILED REPORT—Committee on Credentials.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Illinois, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons:*

Your Committee on Credentials fraternally report that the following brethren whose names appear in this report are present and entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge:

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| | R. W. Hupe | S.W. |
| | J. C. Neckel | J.W. |
| 865 | C. W. Cheshire | W.M. |
| | Walter N. H. Hardin | S.W. |
| | F. A. Farrey | J.W. |
| 866 | Chas. A. Voight | W.M. |
| 867 | John O. Kerch* | W.M. |
| 868 | Francis Springer | S.W. |
| 869 | Wm. Jedike | W.M. |
| | Robert A. Lies | S.W. |
| 870 | Wm. Schoeneshoefer | W.M. |
| 871 | Harry Parr | W.M. |
| 872 | C. F. Stamen | W.M. |
| 873 | C. A. Bovie | W.M. |
| | D. Bumgardner | S.W. |
| | A. C. Boule | J.W. |
| 874 | Hugh H. Drum | W.M. |
| 875 | Harry H. Meineke | W.M. |
| | Geo. Embary | S.W. |
| | F. I. Norton | J.W. |
| 876 | Wm. S. Jones | W.M. |
| | Edward E. Malum | S.W. |
| | Wm. R. Acrie | J.W. |
| 877 | E. W. Cooley | W.M. |

*Proxy.

| NO. | NAME | |
|---|---|---|
| 878 | Edw. M. Brown | W.M. |
| | Demett C. Hutchins | S.W. |
| 879 | H. B. Snyder | W.M. |
| | P. E. Baker | S.W. |
| | A. W. Stemwedel | J.W. |
| 880 | Preslie Z. Turner | W.M. |
| | Frank Hraducky | S.W. |
| | Thos. E. Moore | J.W. |
| 881 | W. C. Stewart | W.M. |
| 882 | J. M. M. Taggart | W.M. |
| 883 | W. E. Gillson | W.M. |
| 885 | C. A. Tuttle | W.M. |
| 886 | Ray H. Petty | W.M. |
| 887 | Samuel A. Stroth | W.M. |
| 888 | John A. Kester | W.M. |
| | Harley A. Thomas | S.W. |
| | Wm. J. Tryen | J.W. |
| 889 | Francis Murray Huston | W.M. |
| | Edward Annesley Lendlum | W.M. |
| | Carlos L. Osgood | J.W. |
| 891 | Ralph Forster | W.M. |
| | Will H. Bray | S.W. |
| 892 | John Olsen | W.M. |
| | Albert W. Miss | S.W. |
| | John H. Tiedeman | J.W. |
| 893 | C. A. Strickler | W.M. |
| 894 | Thos. H. Hooper | W.M. |
| 895 | Wm. H. Lundie | W.M. |
| | Harry J. Leivne | S.W. |
| | Meyer M. Arkin | J.W. |
| 896 | H. O. Guild | W.M. |
| | David L. Olson | S.W. |
| | Earl Anderson | J.W. |
| 897 | Frank P. Meyers | W.M. |
| | John J. Kinsman* | S.W. |
| | Henry Klasey | J.W. |
| 898 | George Sleeth | W.M. |
| 899 | Frank B. Boice | W.M. |
| | H. H. Bowman | S.W. |
| | W. A. Simpson | J.W. |
| 900 | Wm. Galt Jones | W.M. |
| | W. D. Mathews | S.W. |
| 901 | T. E. McCormack | W.M. |
| | Edw. H. Peters | S.W. |
| | Bruce Smied | J.W. |
| 903 | R. J. Barton | W.M. |
| 904 | Charles B. Tyler | J.W. |
| 905 | J. M. Speer | W.M. |
| 906 | Wm. B. Haller | W.M. |
| 907 | Leopold Apple* | W.M. |
| 908 | Louis C. Jensen | W.M. |
| | Theo. K. Hendon | S.W. |
| 909 | Joseph A. Berkman | W.M. |
| | A. E. Schurtzer | S.W. |
| | A. Dreyfus | J.W. |
| 910 | Harry E. Green | W.M. |
| 911 | J. M. Jordan | W.M. |
| 912 | P. R. Wheeden | W.M. |
| 913 | Walter W. Taylor* | S.W. |
| 914 | F. M. Kremer | W.M. |
| | A. M. Dean | S.W. |
| | C. D. Crossette | J.W. |
| 915 | Harry Dean | W.M. |
| | Chas. E. Rohenkohl | S.W. |
| | Chas. E. Adams | J.W. |

## Representatives of Lodges.

| NO. | NAME | |
|---|---|---|
| 916 | Joseph A. Span | W.M. |
| | Chas. Brinkman | S.W. |
| | John G. Johnson | J.W. |
| 917 | E. P. Way | W.M. |
| | J. A. McCallum | J.W. |
| 918 | C. A. McBride | W.M. |
| 919 | A. F. Bush | W.M. |
| | Jay C. Linebarger | S.W. |
| | Howard L. Barrett | J.W. |
| 920 | Silas Mills | W.M. |
| 921 | Alfred H. Courtors, Jr. | W.M. |
| | Geo. H. Cook | S.W. |
| | Nicholas M. Metzelof | J.W. |
| 922 | Joel C. Carlson | A.W.M. |
| | L. O. Wagner | J.W. |
| 923 | Jno. E. Day | W.M. |
| | Max Hammerslag | S.W. |
| 924 | E. A. Gund | W.M. |
| 925 | L. D. Leach | W.M. |
| 926 | E. W. Wilson | W.M. |
| | Earle C. Richardson | S.W. |
| | George Court | J.W. |
| 927 | Ivan A. Hoe | J.W. |
| 928 | William C. Unruh | W.M. |
| 929 | Walter Adkins | W.M. |
| 930 | Garrit MacLean | W.M. |
| 931 | J. G. Wray | W.M. |
| | Chas. H. Jackson | S.W. |
| 932 | Chas. P. Allison | W.M. |
| 933 | A. L. Martin | W.M. |
| | J. L. Martin | S.W. |
| 934 | Kent C. Childs | W.M. |
| | S. T. Collins, Jr. | S.W. |
| | J. H. Birdsong | J.W. |
| 935 | M. S. Crone | W.M. |
| 936 | W. Herbert Brown | S.W. |
| 937 | A. A. Carlson | W.M. |
| | John E. Halt | S.W. |
| | Wm. C. Bliss | J.W. |
| 938 | Harry J. Smith | W.M. |
| | James Simmons | S.W. |
| | C. Otto Sirfert | J.W. |
| 939 | Chas. Cox* | W.M. |
| 940 | F. M. Thurman | W.M. |
| 942 | H. S. Denton | W.M. |
| 943 | Otto Polanek | W.M. |
| | Otto Pecha | S.W. |
| | Frank J. Kaspar | J.W. |
| 944 | Saul Hybowrtz | W.M. |
| | Leon Edelman | S.W. |
| | Isadore Huschberg* | J.W. |
| 945 | Elmer V. Elliott | W.M. |
| 946 | Virgil A. Love | W.M. |
| 947 | P. A. Russell | W.M. |
| | Otto Dalilgren | J.W. |
| 948 | G. B. McNilly | W.M. |
| 949 | Joshua W. Mason | W.M. |
| | Royen J. Marcy* | S.W. |
| | P. C. Penlecka | J.W. |
| 950 | Walter C. Conyers | W.M. |
| | Calvin B. Patch | J.W. |
| 951 | W. L. Richardson | J.W. |
| 952 | Arthur J. Erickson* | W.M. |
| 953 | John M. Brady | W.M. |
| 954 | John C. Remun | W.M. |
| | Arno E. Orient | J.W. |
| 955 | Chas. F. Ranis | W.M. |
| | W. F. Howe | S.W. |
| | C. Gould | J.W. |
| 956 | Fred B. Sachs | W.M. |
| | I. J. Smith | J.W. |
| 957 | Joseph A. Winkler* | W.M. |
| 958 | Jacob Hirsch | W.M. |
| 959 | Victor Dewien* | W.M. |
| 960 | Jno. E. McKay | S.W. |
| 961 | H. O. Browning | W.M. |
| | H. E. Panren | S.W. |
| | A. W. E. Hooper | J.W. |
| 962 | Frank McCagne | W.M. |
| | Wm. P. Ritchie | S.W. |
| 963 | I. I. Hall | W.M. |
| 964 | Wyman E. Warren | W.M. |
| | Chas. M. Kaiser | S.W. |
| | John Bronson | J.W. |
| 965 | H. B. McKenney | W.M. |
| 966 | David D. King* | W.M. |
| 967 | D. F. Whited | W.M. |
| 968 | W. H. McCreary* | W.M. |
| | Fred A. Schlie* | J.W. |
| 969 | Frank C. Scott | W.M. |
| 970 | Walter C. Peters* | W.M. |
| 971 | Chas. P. Dunbaugh | W.M. |
| | Chas. T. Mason* | J.W. |
| 973 | Wm. C. Rapp | W.M. |
| 974 | F. W. Richards | W.M. |
| | C. Richard Moore | S.W. |
| 975 | J. B. Cottingham | W.M. |
| | A. R. Hyatt | S.W. |
| | C. M. Berntsen | J.W. |
| 977 | Wm. A. Goldsburg* | W.M. |
| | D. A. Stevens | J.W. |
| 978 | Henry T. Altman | W.M. |
| | Wm. O. Klatte | S.W. |
| | N. H. Johannsen | J.W. |
| 979 | E. L. Harris | W.M. |
| 980 | Roy A. Wright* | W.M. |
| 981 | Guston Kohn | W.M. |
| 983 | Harry W. Stannard | W.M. |
| | George M. Groves | S.W. |
| | Harrold E. Hirsch | J.W. |
| 984 | Arthur I. Porgers* | W.M. |
| | William Friedman* | S.W. |
| | Hugh A. Caperton | J.W. |
| 985 | Carl J. Salamon | W.M. |
| | A. L. Smerling | S.W. |
| | H. C. Bowen | J.W. |
| 986 | J. F. Rowley | W.M. |
| 987 | R. A. Benson | S.W. |
| 988 | H. C. Hansen | W.M. |
| | H. P. Spangler | J.W. |
| 989 | Sol Rosenblat | W.M. |
| | Dan De Baugh | S.W. |
| | Morie L. Flower | J.W. |
| 990 | Roscoe T. Clark | W.M. |
| 991 | John H. Kanatz | W.M. |
| | Fred A. Doggett | S.W. |

*Proxy.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES.

| NO. | NAME | | NO. | NAME | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 993 | Bellett Lawson, Jr. | W.M. | 998 | Herbert W. Raymond | W.M. |
| 994 | Chas. C. Smith | W.M. | | Walter S. Hutches | S.W. |
| 995 | Joseph T. Mluarett | W.M. | | W. C. Lathrop | J.W. |
| | Jos. F. Kohonn | S.W. | 999 | Wm. J. Henry | W.M. |
| | Emil J. Pardar | J.W. | 1000 | W. R. Wilson | W.M. |
| 996 | C. H. Stell, Sr. | W.M. | 1001 | Geo. F. Tyson | W.M. |
| | C. J. Phelpa | S.W. | | Geo. F. Baker | S.W. |
| 997 | Chas. H. Hendricks | W.M. | | F. L. Kess | J.W. |
| | Thos. A. Barllett | S.W. | 1002 | J. Fred Frey | W.M. |
| | Wm. I. Cox | J.W. | | | |

RECAPITULATION.

| | |
|---|---|
| Grand Officers | 20 |
| Past Grand Officers not otherwise enumerated | 1 |
| Representatives of other Grand Lodges not otherwise enumerated | 35 |
| District Deputy Grand Masters | 50 |
| Members of Committees | 61 |
| Representatives of Lodges | 1048 |
| Total | 1215 |
| Number of Lodges represented | 805 |

All of which is fraternally submitted,

H. H. MONTGOMERY,
IRA J. MCDOWELL
JULIUS G. STRAWN
C. N. HAMBLETON
GEORGE L. AYERS
Committee.

October 11th, A. D. 1917.

## DETAILED REPORT—Committee on Mileage and Per Diem.

The following is a detailed report of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem:

GRAND OFFICERS.

| NAMES. | OFFICE. | Miles..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total ..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ralph H. Wheeler | M.W. Grand Master | ..... | $..... | $ | $ |
| A. H. Scrogin | R.W. Dep. Gr. Master | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... |
| Dan G. Fitzgerrell | R.W. Sr. Gr. Warden | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... |
| Elmer E. Beach | R.W. Jr. Gr. Warden | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... |
| Leroy A. Goddard | R.W. Gr. Treasurer | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... |
| Isaac Cutter | R.W. Gr. Secretary | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... |
| R. Keene Ryan | R.W. Gr. Chaplain | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |
| Oscar A. Kropf | R.W. Grand Orator | 3 | 30 | 6 | 6 30 |
| Roy Adams | W. Dep. Grand Secretary | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... |
| George Kurzenknabe | W. Gr. Pursuivant | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| W. H. Bled | W. Grand Marshal | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| W. M. Lovins | W. Gr. Stand. Bearer | 187 | 18 70 | 6 | 24 70 |
| Felix Von W. Wysow | W. Gr. Sword Bearer | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| S. S. Borden | W. Sr. Gr. Deacon | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Norman J. Carey | W. Jr. Gr. Deacon | 94 | 9 40 | 6 | 15 40 |
| Alonzo Ellis | W. Grand Steward | 240 | 24 00 | 6 | 30 00 |
| Geo. W. Tipsword | W. Grand Steward | 218 | 21 80 | 6 | 27 80 |
| T. Van Antwerp | W. Grand Steward | 135 | 13 50 | 6 | 19 50 |
| Geo. A. Stadler | W. Grand Steward | 173 | 17 30 | 6 | 23 30 |
| Chester S. Gurney | Bro. Grand Tyler | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Henry E. Hamilton | Past Senior Grand Warden | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Delmar D. Darrah | Past Grand Master | 127 | 12 70 | 15 | 27 70 |

R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

| NAMES. | DISTRICTS. | Miles..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total ..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Robert N Holt | 1st District. | 9 | $ 90 | $ 6 | $6 90 |
| James A. Steven | 2d " | 3 | 30 | 6 | 6 30 |
| Richard E. Kropf | 3d " | 2 | 20 | 6 | 6 20 |
| Claude R. Grover | 4th " | 9 | 90 | 6 | 6 90 |
| Jos. J. Shaw | 5th " | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Nicholas E. Murray | 6th " | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Hiram Vanderbilt | 7th " | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Jay L. Brewster | 8th " | 36 | 3 60 | 6 | 9 60 |
| John T. Buckbee | 9th " | 87 | 8 70 | 6 | 14 60 |
| John T. Miller | 10th " | 137 | 13 70 | 6 | 19 70 |
| Thos. H. Hobbs | 11th " | 58 | 5 80 | 6 | 11 80 |
| C. F. Wm. Schultz | 12th " | 37 | 3 70 | 6 | 9 70 |
| Mark C Keller | 13th " | 98 | 9 80 | 6 | 15 80 |
| C. G. Taylor | 14th " | 181 | 18 10 | 6 | 24 10 |
| Chas. W. Coker | 15th " | 122 | 12 20 | 6 | 18 20 |
| J. F. Blakeslee | 16th " | 94 | 9 40 | 6 | 15 40 |
| J. W. Brockway | 17th " | 37 | 3 70 | 6 | 9 70 |
| Wm. A. Ward | 18th " | 84 | 8 40 | 6 | 14 40 |
| G. L. Tanner | 19th " | 83 | 8 30 | 6 | 14 30 |
| Chas. H. Ireland | 20th " | 129 | 12 90 | 6 | 18 90 |
| C. C. Sawyer | 21st " | 147 | 14 70 | 6 | 20 70 |

R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.—*Continued.*

| NAMES. | DISTRICTS. | Miles..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ..... | 22d District | ..... | $..... | .... | $..... |
| S. P. Odenweller | 23d " | 202 | 20 20 | 6 | 26 20 |
| E. H. Fleming | 24th " | 244 | 24 40 | 6 | 30 40 |
| A. T. Peters | 25th " | 170 | 17 00 | 6 | 23 00 |
| Nimrod Mace | 26th " | 127 | 12 70 | 6 | 18 70 |
| G. Haven Stephens | 27th " | 123 | 12 30 | 6 | 18 30 |
| N. P. Jones | 28th " | 136 | 13 60 | 6 | 19 60 |
| G. E. Chamberlain | 29th " | 93 | 9 30 | 6 | 15 30 |
| Emory Edwards | 30th " | 192 | 19 20 | 6 | 25 20 |
| A. C. Metcalf | 31st " | 216 | 21 60 | 6 | 27 60 |
| E. L. Lawrence | 32d " | 313 | 31 30 | 6 | 37 30 |
| J. L. Klemme | 33d " | 263 | 26 30 | 6 | 32 30 |
| R. M. Riggs | 34th " | 254 | 25 40 | 6 | 31 40 |
| W. P. Wall | 35th " | 248 | 24 80 | 6 | 30 80 |
| W. R. McLean | 36th " | 237 | 23 70 | 6 | 29 70 |
| L. A. Tripp | 37th " | 196 | 19 60 | 6 | 25 60 |
| S. A. Wright | 38th " | 193 | 19 30 | 6 | 25 30 |
| Jas. H. Shepherd, Jr. | 39th " | 160 | 16 00 | 6 | 22 00 |
| Jas. F. Athey | 40th " | 205 | 20 50 | 6 | 26 50 |
| David L. Wright | 41st " | 199 | 19 90 | 6 | 25 90 |
| J. C. Sanders | 42d " | 261 | 26 10 | 6 | 32 10 |
| Chas. W. Dean | 43d " | 260 | 26 00 | 6 | 32 00 |
| Sam'l E. Griggs, Jr. | 44th " | 294 | 29 40 | 6 | 35 40 |
| Wainright Davis | 45th " | 276 | 27 60 | 6 | 33 60 |
| Carl F. Stoll | 46th " | 225 | 22 50 | 6 | 28 50 |
| Geo. M. McKitrick | 47th " | 314 | 31 40 | 6 | 37 40 |
| John Armstrong | 48th " | 307 | 30 70 | 6 | 36 70 |
| C. S. Bourque | 49th " | 364 | 36 40 | 6 | 42 40 |
| Roy R. Helm | 50th " | 366 | 36 60 | 6 | 42 60 |
| John F. Schott | G'm'n Sp'ki'g Lodges | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |

COMMITTEES.

| NAMES. | Miles ..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total ..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE. | | | | |
| Monroe C. Crawford | 330 | $33 00 | $30 | $ 63 00 |
| W. B Wright | 199 | 19 90 | 30 | 49 90 |
| Chester E. Allen | 163 | 16 30 | 30 | 46 30 |
| Owen Scott | 173 | 17 30 | 30 | 47 30 |
| APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES. | | | | |
| Jos. E. Dyas | 160 | 16 00 | 35 | 51 00 |
| W. E. Hadley | 286 | 28 60 | 35 | 63 60 |
| Hugh Stewart | 8 | 80 | 35 | 35 80 |
| Geo. N. Todd | 172 | 17 20 | 35 | 52 20 |
| Frank E. Locke | 2 | 20 | 35 | 35 20 |
| CHARTERED LODGES. | | | | |
| Phil C. Barclay | 365 | 36 50 | 35 | 71 50 |
| W. W. Watson | 268 | 26 80 | 35 | 61 80 |
| J. E. Jeffers | 158 | 15 80 | 35 | 50 80 |
| A. G. Treys | 185 | 18 50 | 35 | 53 50 |
| William M. Beckman | 5 | 50 | 35 | 35 50 |

COMMITTEES—*Continued.*

| NAMES. | Miles..... | Mileage.... | Per Diem. | Total..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.** | | | | |
| Benjamin A. Cotlow | 99 | $ 9 90 | $30 | $ 39 90 |
| Harry L. Browning | 281 | 28 10 | 30 | 58 10 |
| Delbert I. Duck | 161 | 16 10 | 30 | 46 10 |
| E. C. Mullin | 10 | 1 00 | 30 | 31 00 |
| N. L. Brown | 210 | 21 00 | 30 | 51 00 |
| **MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.** | | | | |
| W. F. Beck | 231 | 23 10 | 30 | 53 10 |
| H. T. Goddard | 249 | 24 90 | 30 | 54 90 |
| T. S. Browning | 306 | 30 60 | 30 | 60 60 |
| C. H. Thompson | 276 | 27 60 | 30 | 57 60 |
| Chas. J. Shaw | 163 | 16 30 | 30 | 46 30 |
| **FINANCE.** | | | | |
| Thos. A. Stevens | 4 | 40 | 30 | 30 40 |
| E. E. Mills | 9 | 90 | 30 | 30 90 |
| **MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE.** | | | | |
| Chas. H. Martin | 229 | 22 90 | 20 | 42 90 |
| **TRUSTEES MASONIC HOMES.** | | | | |
| Louis L. Emmerson | 276 | 27 60 | 30 | 57 60 |
| Robert C. Fletcher | 15 | 1 50 | 30 | 31 50 |
| Wm. D. Price | 10 | 1 00 | 30 | 31 00 |
| Anthony Doherty | 261 | 26 10 | 30 | 56 10 |
| **CREDENTIALS.** | | | | |
| Henry H. Montgomery | 255 | 25 50 | 20 | 45 50 |
| Ira J. McDowell | 8 | 80 | 20 | 20 80 |
| Geo. L. Ayers | 10 | 1 00 | 20 | 21 00 |
| C. N. Hambleton | 251 | 25 10 | 20 | 45 10 |
| Julius G. Strawn | 216 | 21 60 | 20 | 41 60 |
| **PETITIONS.** | | | | |
| John C. Weis | 150 | 15 00 | 20 | 35 00 |
| L. F. Childs | 10 | 1 00 | 20 | 21 00 |
| C. O. Faught | 210 | 21 00 | 20 | 41 00 |
| **OBITUARIES.** | | | | |
| Thos. C. Kerwin | 1 | 10 | 20 | 20 10 |
| R. W. King | 7 | 10 | 20 | 20 10 |
| Louis Zinger | 154 | 15 40 | 20 | 35 40 |
| **GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL REPORT.** | | | | |
| H N. McFarlane | 1 | 10 | 20 | 20 10 |
| Ed. L. Holmes | 6 | 60 | 20 | 20 60 |
| E. R. Turnbull | 224 | 22 40 | 20 | 42 40 |
| **GRAND EXAMINERS.** | | | | |
| Maxwell Levy | 3 | 30 | 20 | 20 30 |
| R. C. Davenport | 314 | 31 40 | 20 | 51 40 |
| Spruel C. D. Rea | 306 | 30 60 | 20 | 50 60 |
| Albert Jampolis | 5 | 50 | 20 | 20 50 |
| Henry S. Wiley | 202 | 20 20 | 20 | 40 20 |

COMMITTEES.—*Continued.*

| NAMES. | Miles.... | Mileage... | Per Diem | Total..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SPECIAL COMMITTEES | | | | |
| LIBRARIES. | | | | |
| Chas. W. Walduck | 5 | $ 50 | $20 | $ 20 50 |
| G. R. Hilliker | 12 | 1 20 | 20 | 21 20 |
| W. A. Dixon | 176 | 17 60 | 20 | 37 60 |
| NEW LEGISLATION. | | | | |
| E. D. Brothers | 9 | 90 | 30 | 30 90 |
| James K. Lambert | 9 | 90 | 30 | 30 90 |
| GRAND MASTER ADVISORY COUNCIL. | | | | |
| Austin H. Scrogin | 110 | 11 00 | 35 | 46 00 |
| Dan G. Fitzgerrell | 125 | 12 50 | 35 | 47 50 |
| Elmer E. Beach | 1 | 10 | 35 | 35 10 |
| Geo. M. Moulton | 1 | 10 | 35 | 35 10 |
| John Johnston | 5 | 50 | 35 | 35 50 |
| Edward H. Thomas | 5 | 50 | 35 | 35 50 |
| Alexander H. Bell | 224 | 24 40 | 35 | 57 40 |
| Robert J. Daly | 5 | 50 | 35 | 35 50 |

REPRESENTATIVES.

| LODGE. | NO. | REPRESENTATIVE. | Miles..... | Mileage.. | Per Diem. | Total..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bodley | 1 | F. W. Brinkoetter. | 263 | $ 26 30 | $6 | $32 30 |
| Equality | 2 | Jas. A. Womack | 313 | 31 30 | 6 | 37 30 |
| Harmony | 3 | Richard J. Farris | 216 | 21 60 | 6 | 27 60 |
| Springfield | 4 | Alfred E. Haynes | 185 | 18 50 | 6 | 24 50 |
| Friendship | 7 | Glen F. Coe. | 98 | 9 80 | 6 | 15 80 |
| Macon | 8 | J. M. Willard | 173 | 17 30 | 6 | 23 30 |
| Rushville | 9 | Bruce Shindel | 227 | 22 70 | 6 | 28 70 |
| St. John's | 13 | Wm. B. Linnig | 100 | 10 00 | 6 | 16 00 |
| Warren | 14 | J. R. Williams | 308 | 30 80 | 6 | 36 80 |
| Peoria | 15 | Frank N. Nicol | 150 | 15 00 | 6 | 21 00 |
| Temperance | 16 | G. E. Morey | 231 | 23 10 | 6 | 29 10 |
| Macomb | 17 | | | | | |
| Clinton | 19 | John F. Bonties | 147 | 14 70 | 6 | 20 70 |
| Hancock | 20 | L. C. Corson | 238 | 23 80 | 6 | 29 80 |
| Cass | 23 | B C. Holbrook | 225 | 22 50 | 6 | 28 50 |
| St. Clair | 24 | T. C. Wright | 295 | 29 50 | 6 | 35 50 |
| Franklin | 25 | Harry Hatton | 254 | 25 40 | 6 | 31 40 |
| Piasa | 27 | H. A. Paul | 257 | 25 70 | 6 | 31 70 |
| Pekin | 29 | Orvell M. Schantz | 154 | 15 40 | 6 | 21 40 |
| Mt. Vernon | 31 | Silas Echols. | 276 | 27 60 | 6 | 33 60 |
| Oriental | 33 | John F. Fralick | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Barry | 34 | James M. Kaylor | 268 | 26 80 | 6 | 32 80 |
| Charleston | 35 | Clarence C. Austin | 182 | 18 20 | 6 | 24 20 |
| Kavanaugh | 36 | Floyd H. Tucker. | 129 | 12 90 | 6 | 18 90 |
| Monmouth | 37 | Carl H. Hohn | 179 | 17 90 | 6 | 23 90 |
| Olive Branch | 38 | L. F. W Stuebe | 123 | 12 30 | 6 | 18 30 |
| Herman | 39 | John A. Worttmann | 268 | 26 30 | 6 | 32 30 |
| Occidental | 40 | Wm. Scales | 85 | 8 50 | 6 | 14 50 |
| Mt. Joliet | 42 | Wm. F. Gray | 37 | 3 70 | 6 | 9 70 |
| Bloomington | 43 | F. H Petrie | 127 | 12 70 | 6 | 18 70 |
| Hardin | 44 | D. R. Peters | 288 | 28 80 | 6 | 34 80 |
| Griggsville | 45 | Fred A. Stone | 286 | 28 60 | 6 | 34 60 |
| Temple | 46 | J. O. Kendall | 151 | 15 10 | 6 | 21 10 |
| Caledonia | 47 | Chas. W. Curry | 368 | 36 80 | 6 | 42 80 |
| Unity | 48 | Edward Davey | 32 | 3 20 | 6 | 9 20 |
| Cambridge | 49 | Olof O. Kraus | 151 | 15 10 | 6 | 21 10 |
| Carrollton | 50 | Harper A Kelly | 255 | 25 50 | 6 | 31 50 |
| Mt. Moriah | 51 | Wm. M. Mollmann | 237 | 23 70 | 6 | 29 70 |
| Benevolent | 52 | F. A. Neville | 243 | 24 30 | 6 | 30 30 |
| Jackson | 53 | Will A. Baker | 194 | 19 40 | 6 | 25 40 |
| Washington | 55 | P. B. Rabenneck | 270 | 27 00 | 6 | 33 00 |
| Trio | 57 | H. E. Herprlinck | 181 | 18 10 | 6 | 24 10 |
| Fraternal | 58 | Wm. F. Finson | 145 | 14 50 | 6 | 20 50 |
| New Boston | 59 | | 184 | 18 40 | | |
| Belvidere | 60 | J. O. Anderson | 78 | 7 80 | 6 | 13 80 |
| Lacon | 61 | Holger Brask | 122 | 12 20 | 6 | 18 20 |
| St. Mark's | 63 | W. S. Blanchard | 51 | 5 10 | 6 | 11 10 |
| Benton | 64 | S. L. Kell | 306 | 30 60 | 6 | 36 60 |
| Euclid | 65 | G. J. Lindblad | 29 | 2 90 | 6 | 8 90 |
| Pacific | 66 | H. A. Parmenter | 168 | 16 80 | 6 | 22 80 |
| Acacia | 67 | Roy F. Cook | 99 | 9 90 | 6 | 15 90 |
| Eureka | 69 | Wm. J. Spencer | 187 | 18 70 | 6 | 24 70 |
| Central | 71 | Thos. R. Strong | 185 | 18 50 | 6 | 24 50 |
| Chester | 72 | W. F. Sweany | 325 | 32 50 | 6 | 38 50 |
| Rockton | 74 | D. F. Jones | 99 | 9 90 | 6 | 15 90 |
| Roscoe | 75 | E. H. Wilson | 85 | 8 50 | 6 | 14 50 |
| Mt. Nebo | 76 | W. M. Hulse | 224 | 22 40 | 6 | 28 40 |
| Prairie | 77 | Wm. H. Barr | 161 | 16 10 | 6 | 22 10 |
| Waukegan | 78 | LeRoy Hill. | 36 | 3 60 | 6 | 9 60 |

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| LODGE. | NO. | REPRESENTATIVE. | Miles | Mileage | Per Diem. | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Scott | 79 | M. B. Johnston | 260 | $26 00 | $6 | $32 00 |
| White Hall | 80 | Albert C. Rich | 279 | 27 90 | 6 | 33 90 |
| Virtruvius | 81 | M. A. Grenning | 33 | 3 30 | 6 | 9 30 |
| DeWitt | 84 | J. M. Ledden | 147 | 14 70 | 6 | 20 70 |
| Mitchell | 85 | Oscar H. Schulze | 288 | 28 80 | 6 | 34 80 |
| Kaskaskia | 86 | Wm. M Schuwerk | 308 | 30 80 | 6 | 36 80 |
| Mt. Pulaski | 87 | | | | | |
| Havana | 88 | C. E. Walsh | 204 | 20 40 | 6 | 26 40 |
| Fellowship | 89 | Robert W. Alsbrook | 317 | 31 70 | 6 | 37 70 |
| Jerusalem Temple | 90 | W. H. Mighell | 37 | 3 70 | 6 | 9 70 |
| Metropolis | 91 | C. C. Frazine | 366 | 36 60 | 6 | 42 60 |
| Stewart | 92 | Frank Cook | 159 | 15 90 | 6 | 21 90 |
| Toulon | 93 | Fred Brown | 151 | 15 10 | 6 | 21 10 |
| Perry | 95 | J. R. Sims | 253 | 25 30 | 6 | 31 30 |
| Samuel H. Davis | 96 | F. L. Watts | 106 | 10 60 | 6 | 16 60 |
| Excelsior | 97 | M. G. Schaub | 114 | 11 40 | 6 | 17 40 |
| Taylor | 98 | Frank S. Harvey | 134 | 13 40 | 6 | 19 40 |
| Edwardsville | 99 | D. W. Fiegenbaum | 265 | 26 50 | 6 | 32 50 |
| Astoria | 100 | H. J. Schaefer | 218 | 21 80 | 6 | 27 80 |
| Rockford | 102 | W. R. Shedd | 87 | 8 70 | 6 | 14 70 |
| Magnolia | 103 | Walker Johnston | 113 | 11 30 | 6 | 17 30 |
| Lewistown | 104 | Grile Hanson | 194 | 19 40 | 6 | 25 40 |
| Winchester | 105 | W. L. Bagshaed | 254 | 25 40 | 6 | 31 40 |
| Lancaster | 106 | L. C. McElhaney | 164 | 16 40 | 6 | 22 40 |
| Versailles | 108 | Wm. R. Smith | 287 | 28 70 | 6 | 34 70 |
| Trenton | 109 | Logan A. Loudon | 277 | 27 70 | 6 | 33 70 |
| Lebanon | 110 | J. B Sager | 285 | 28 50 | 6 | 34 50 |
| Jonesboro | 111 | A. J. Lyerly | 330 | 33 00 | 6 | 39 00 |
| Robert Burns | 113 | A. C. Venable | 192 | 19 20 | 6 | 25 20 |
| Marcelline | 114 | Chas. E. Smith | 277 | 27 70 | 6 | 33 70 |
| Rising Sun | 115 | W. H. Studer | 48 | 4 80 | 6 | 14 80 |
| Vermont | 116 | H. C. Musgrove | 211 | 21 10 | 6 | 27 10 |
| Elgin | 117 | A. W. Ackermann | 37 | 3 70 | 6 | 9 70 |
| Waverly | 118 | Robt. Etta | 220 | 22 00 | 6 | 28 00 |
| Henry | 119 | Frank Johnson | 126 | 12 60 | 6 | 18 60 |
| Mound | 122 | M. B. Bates | 201 | 20 10 | 6 | 26 10 |
| Oquawka | 123 | C. L. Brooks | 205 | 20 50 | 6 | 26 50 |
| Cedar | 124 | | | | | |
| Greenup | 125 | Oliver H. Shiels | 195 | 19 50 | 6 | 25 50 |
| Empire | 126 | C. E. Lorton | 159 | 15 90 | 6 | 21 90 |
| Antioch | 127 | | 58 | 5 80 | | |
| Raleigh | 128 | Geo H. Barnes | 312 | 31 20 | 6 | 37 20 |
| Greenfield | 129 | M. B. Metcalf | 291 | 29 10 | 6 | 35 10 |
| Marion | 130 | P. V. Storment | 249 | 24 90 | 6 | 30 90 |
| Golconda | 131 | Oscar Wiel | 368 | 36 80 | 6 | 42 80 |
| Mackinaw | 132 | Ray H. Pepper | 147 | 14 70 | 6 | 20 70 |
| Marshall | 133 | Wm. T. Platt, Jr. | 176 | 17 60 | 6 | 23 60 |
| Sycamore | 134 | D. R. Langhorn | 52 | 5 20 | 6 | 11 20 |
| Lima | 135 | J. M. Hunter | 290 | 29 00 | 6 | 35 00 |
| Hutsonville | 136 | A. C. Lindley | 196 | 19 60 | 6 | 25 60 |
| Polk | 137 | Orlin J. Davis | 303 | 30 30 | 6 | 36 30 |
| Marengo | 138 | A. M. Osborne | 66 | 6 60 | 6 | 12 60 |
| Geneva | 139 | Calvin P. Mead | 36 | 3 60 | 6 | 9 60 |
| Olney | 140 | Jacob S. Freeman | 232 | 23 20 | 6 | 29 20 |
| Garden City | 141 | Harry G. Wilson | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Ames | 142 | H. G. Andrews | 137 | 13 70 | 6 | 19 70 |
| Richmond | 143 | Jesse B. Richardson | 76 | 7 60 | 6 | 13 60 |
| DeKalb | 144 | A. W. Jackson | 58 | 5 80 | 6 | 11 80 |
| A. W. Rawson | 145 | R. J. Winchester | 102 | 10 20 | 6 | 16 20 |
| Lee Center | 146 | | 100 | 10 00 | | |
| Clayton | 147 | Fred A. Weaver | 242 | 24 20 | 6 | 30 20 |
| Bloomfield | 148 | John H. Owens | 147 | 14 70 | 4 | 18 70 |
| Effingham | 149 | Jas. T. Ewing | 199 | 19 90 | 6 | 25 90 |
| Vienna | 150 | Chas. J. Huffman | 348 | 34 80 | 6 | 40 80 |
| Bunker Hill | 151 | John Thyer | 246 | 24 60 | 6 | 30 60 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Fidelity | 152 | R. N. Clower | 241 | $24 10 | $6 | $30 10 |
| Clay | 153 | Chas. Kerstine | 265 | 26 50 | 6 | 32 50 |
| Russell | 154 | Wm. T. Henderson | 134 | 13 40 | 6 | 19 40 |
| Alpha | 155 | J. S. Adams | 163 | 16 30 | 6 | 22 30 |
| Delavan | 156 | Harry M Wood | 157 | 15 70 | 6 | 21 70 |
| Urbana | 157 | Francis M. Porter | 128 | 12 80 | 6 | 18 80 |
| McHenry | 158 | Floyd E. Covalt | 50 | 5 00 | 6 | 11 00 |
| Kewanee | 159 | Arthur P. Harr | 131 | 13 10 | 6 | 19 10 |
| Waubansia | 160 | John T. Law | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Virden | 161 | E. G. Motley | 207 | 20 70 | 6 | 26 70 |
| Hope | 162 | C. A. Braden | 299 | 29 90 | 6 | 35 90 |
| Edward Dobbins | 164 | Sam E. Jones | 225 | 22 50 | 6 | 28 50 |
| Atlanta | 165 | J. L. Perry | 146 | 14 60 | 6 | 20 60 |
| Star in the East | 166 | Rolla E. Turney | 87 | 8 70 | 6 | 14 70 |
| Milford | 168 | Amos W. White | 88 | 8 80 | 6 | 14 80 |
| Nunda | 169 | W. W. Roberts | 43 | 4 30 | 6 | 10 30 |
| Evergreen | 170 | F. F. Pepperdine | 114 | 11 40 | 6 | 17 40 |
| Girard | 171 | Frank G. Wood | 211 | 21 10 | 6 | 27 10 |
| Wayne | 172 | C H. Sprague | 146 | 14 60 | 6 | 20 60 |
| Cherry Valley | 173 | Geo. A. Wemple | 84 | 8 40 | 6 | 14 40 |
| Lena | 174 | D. M. DeGraff | 127 | 12 70 | 4 | 16 70 |
| Matteson | 175 | E. E. Woods | 37 | 3 70 | 6 | 9 70 |
| Mendota | 176 | Clyde Schwartz | 83 | 8 30 | 6 | 14 30 |
| Staunton | 177 | J. J. Wilkinson | 248 | 24 80 | 6 | 30 80 |
| Illinois Central | 178 | A. H. Meyer | 94 | 9 40 | 6 | 15 40 |
| Wabash | 179 | Thomas Fergerson | 178 | 17 80 | 6 | 23 80 |
| Moweaqua | 180 | I. L. Mathias | 186 | 18 60 | 6 | 24 60 |
| Germania | 182 | J. G. Fiedler | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Meridian | 183 | Clyde Aitken | 72 | 7 20 | 6 | 13 20 |
| Abingdon | 185 | Wm. Brinton | 173 | 17 30 | 6 | 23 30 |
| Mystic Tie | 187 | E. O. Dummer | 111 | 11 10 | 6 | 17 10 |
| Cyrus | 188 | E. G. Hauth | 128 | 12 80 | 6 | 18 80 |
| Fulton City | 189 | Earl D. Thomson | 136 | 13 60 | 6 | 19 60 |
| Dundee | 190 | F. M. Carr | 44 | 4 40 | 6 | 10 40 |
| Farmington | 192 | J. E. Wasson | 169 | 16 90 | 6 | 22 90 |
| Herrick | 193 | Wm. H. Jones | 227 | 22 70 | 6 | 28 70 |
| Freedom | 194 | Edw C. Brigman | 71 | 7 10 | 6 | 13 10 |
| La Harpe | 195 | J. W. Wilson | 234 | 23 40 | 6 | 29 40 |
| Louisville | 196 | | 228 | 22 80 | . | ..... |
| King Solomon's | 197 | W. P. Witt | 258 | 25 80 | 6 | 31 80 |
| Homer | 199 | Chas. D. Brown | 143 | 14 30 | 6 | 20 30 |
| Sheba | 200 | Raymond H. Johns | 266 | 26 60 | 6 | 32 60 |
| Centralia | 201 | D. D. Wallis | 251 | 25 10 | 6 | 31 10 |
| Lavely | 203 | J. M. Pancake | 173 | 17 30 | 6 | 23 30 |
| Flora | 204 | W. E. Gray | 235 | 23 50 | 6 | 29 50 |
| Corinthian | 205 | Eugene N. Gibbs | 75 | 7 50 | 6 | 13 50 |
| Fairfield | 206 | M. L. Calkin | 254 | 25 40 | 6 | 31 40 |
| Tamaroa | 207 | August Sprenger | 278 | 27 80 | 6 | 33 80 |
| Wilmington | 208 | J. C. Whitmar | 52 | 5 20 | 6 | 11 20 |
| Wm. B. Warren | 209 | Iver R. Johnson | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Logan | 210 | John Smith | 156 | 15 60 | 6 | 21 60 |
| Cleveland | 211 | John W. Turner | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Shipman | 212 | John E. Randle | 238 | 23 80 | 6 | 29 80 |
| Ipava | 213 | B. S. Diehl | 205 | 20 50 | 6 | 26 50 |
| Gillespie | 214 | Perry G. Sawyer | 236 | 23 60 | 4 | 27 60 |
| Newton | 216 | E. M. Jasper | 213 | 21 30 | 6 | 27 30 |
| Mason | 217 | G. B. Paugh | 210 | 21 00 | 6 | 27 00 |
| New Salem | 218 | A. E Hillman | 256 | 25 60 | 6 | 31 60 |
| Oakland | 219 | Fred G. Hall | 168 | 16 80 | 6 | 22 80 |
| Mahomet | 220 | I. C. Abbott | 136 | 13 60 | 6 | 19 60 |
| LeRoy | 221 | C. A. Skellman | 134 | 13 40 | 6 | 19 40 |
| Geo. Washington | 222 | H. V. Thomas | 130 | 13 00 | 6 | 19 00 |
| Pana | 226 | J. M. Olinger | 202 | 20 20 | 4 | 24 20 |
| Columbus | 227 | B. Frank Thomas | 249 | 24 90 | 6 | 30 90 |
| Lovington | 228 | Thos. L. Conn | 168 | 16 80 | 6 | 22 28 |

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| LODGE. | NO. | REPRESENTATIVE. | Miles..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manchester | 229 | C. D. Chapman | 231 | $23 10 | $6 | $29 10 |
| New Haven | 230 | J. H. Graddy | 297 | 29 70 | 6 | 35 70 |
| Wyanet | 231 | F. H. Bradley | 111 | 11 10 | 6 | 17 10 |
| Farmers | 232 | David L. Paris | 372 | 37 20 | 6 | 43 20 |
| Blandinsville | 233 | J. F. Anderson | 228 | 22 80 | 6 | 28 80 |
| DuQuoin | 234 | F. Guy Hitt | 287 | 28 70 | 6 | 34 70 |
| Dallas City | 235 | H. D. Cummings | 222 | 22 20 | 6 | 28 20 |
| Charter Oak | 236 | C. O. Richards | 234 | 23 40 | 6 | 29 40 |
| Cairo | 237 | S. G. Richardson | 364 | 36 40 | 6 | 42 40 |
| Black Hawk | 238 | Eugene G. White | 261 | 26 10 | 6 | 32 10 |
| Mt. Carmel | 239 | L. A. Tevebaugh | 249 | 24 90 | 6 | 30 90 |
| Western Star | 240 | F. I. Fleming | 126 | 12 60 | 6 | 18 60 |
| Shekinah | 241 | Alvin Sponsler | 307 | 30 70 | 6 | 36 70 |
| Galva | 243 | Olcott R. Thomas | 139 | 13 90 | 6 | 19 90 |
| Horicon | 244 | W. D. Pickle | 75 | 7 50 | 6 | 13 50 |
| Greenville | 245 | J. F. Johnston | 241 | 24 10 | 6 | 30 10 |
| El Paso | 246 | Melville A. Adams | 118 | 11 80 | 6 | 17 80 |
| Rob Morris | 247 | | 109 | 10 90 | . | ..... |
| Golden Gate | 248 | | 186 | 18 60 | . | ..... |
| Hibbard | 249 | W. I. Gillham | 246 | 24 60 | 6 | 30 60 |
| Robinson | 250 | Sam Faucett | 205 | 20 50 | 6 | 26 50 |
| Heyworth | 251 | Otto M. Claplin | 137 | 13 70 | 6 | 19 70 |
| Aledo | 252 | C. L. Gregory | 193 | 19 30 | 6 | 25 30 |
| Avon Harmony | 253 | B. E. Gorham | 183 | 18 30 | 6 | 24 30 |
| Aurora | 254 | Fred A. Rowley | 37 | 3 70 | 6 | 9 70 |
| Donnelson | 255 | R. N. Harwood | 245 | 24 50 | 6 | 30 50 |
| Warsaw | 257 | John B. Worthen | 266 | 26 60 | 6 | 32 60 |
| Mattoon | 260 | E. M. Brown | 171 | 17 10 | 6 | 23 10 |
| Amon | 261 | L. R. Agee | 138 | 13 80 | 6 | 19 80 |
| Channahon | 262 | | 52 | 5 20 | . | ..... |
| Illinois | 263 | Carl W. Hulsebus | 150 | 15 00 | 6 | 21 00 |
| Franklin Grove | 264 | W. L. Moore | 88 | 8 80 | 6 | 14 80 |
| Vermilion | 265 | Clyde Baldwin | 142 | 14 20 | 6 | 20 20 |
| Kingston | 266 | L. M. Morrison | 314 | 31 40 | 6 | 37 40 |
| La Prairie | 267 | W. J. Weble | 236 | 23 60 | 6 | 29 60 |
| Paris | 268 | Harry Jones | 161 | 16 10 | 6 | 22 10 |
| Wheaton | 269 | E. J. Lambe | 24 | 2 40 | 6 | 8 40 |
| Levi Lusk | 270 | Justin E. Larkin | 92 | 9 20 | 6 | 15 20 |
| Blaney | 271 | Chas. A. Dean | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Carmi | 272 | Dan H. Boyer (2 days) | 282 | 28 20 | 4 | 32 20 |
| Miners | 273 | | 164 | 16 40 | . | ..... |
| Byron | 274 | | 88 | 8 80 | . | ..... |
| Milton | 275 | Caston Clemmons | 254 | 25 40 | 6 | 31 40 |
| Elizabeth | 276 | E. F. Wall, Jr | 337 | 33 70 | 6 | 39 70 |
| Accordia | 277 | Joseph Clinge | 2 | 20 | 6 | 6 20 |
| Jo Daviess | 278 | Harry C. Tear | 137 | 13 70 | 6 | 19 70 |
| Neoga | 279 | Clark Young | 183 | 18 30 | 6 | 24 30 |
| Kansas | 280 | T. S. Wright | 197 | 19 70 | 6 | 25 70 |
| Brooklyn | 282 | G. W. Bishop | 81 | 8 10 | 6 | 14 10 |
| Meteor | 283 | W. F. Murray (2 ds.) | 56 | 5 60 | 4 | 9 60 |
| Catlin | 285 | Walter B. Theobald | 129 | 12 90 | 6 | 18 90 |
| Plymouth | 286 | Howard M. Lawton | 222 | 22 20 | 6 | 28 20 |
| De Sota | 287 | S. E. Graeff | 301 | 30 10 | 6 | 36 10 |
| Genoa | 288 | | 60 | 6 00 | . | ..... |
| Wataga | 291 | E. P. Robison | 155 | 15 50 | 6 | 21 50 |
| Chenoa | 292 | D. T. Clarke | 102 | 10 20 | 6 | 16 20 |
| Prophetstown | 293 | Nels Lundell | 128 | 12 80 | 6 | 18 80 |
| Pontiac | 294 | H. D. Wolf | 92 | 9 20 | 6 | 15 20 |
| Dills | 295 | C. E. Warnell | 250 | 25 00 | 6 | 31 00 |
| Quincy | 296 | John W. Hart | 263 | 26 30 | 6 | 32 30 |
| Benjamin | 297 | Geo. E. Dunham | 241 | 24 10 | 6 | 30 10 |
| Wauconda | 298 | | 40 | 4 00 | . | ..... |
| Hinckley | 301 | A. J. Coster | 55 | 5 50 | 2 | 7 50 |
| Durand | 302 | F. J. Lins | 104 | 10 40 | 6 | 16 40 |
| Raven | 303 | E. G. Rickard | 44 | 4 40 | 6 | 10 40 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Onarga | 305 | Howard B. Stell | 83 | $ 8 30 | $6 | $14 30 |
| William C. Hobbs | 306 | Egon Dierkes | 127 | 12 70 | 6 | 18 70 |
| T. J. Pickett | 307 | Ed F. Klein | 191 | 19 10 | 6 | 25 10 |
| Ashlar | 308 | C. K. Elkhart | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Harvard | 309 | Hugh Houston Megran | 63 | 6 30 | 6 | 12 30 |
| Dearborn | 310 | John G. Burkhard | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Kilwinning | 311 | J. A. Atchison | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Ionic | 312 | A. R. Reynolds | 173 | 17 30 | 6 | 23 30 |
| York | 313 | H. C. Dalson | 191 | 19 10 | 6 | 25 10 |
| Palatine | 314 | W. E. Waseman | 26 | 2 60 | 6 | 8 60 |
| Abraham Jonas | 316 | W. R. Nye | 97 | 9 70 | 6 | 15 70 |
| J. L. Anderson | 318 | Geo. H. Minier | 226 | 22 60 | 6 | 28 60 |
| Doric | 319 | C. W. Fisher | 179 | 17 90 | 6 | 23 90 |
| Creston | 320 | W. H. Dickinson | 69 | 6 90 | 6 | 12 90 |
| Dunlap | 321 | M. R. Nelson | 124 | 12 40 | 6 | 18 40 |
| Windsor | 322 | Hugh S Lilly | 185 | 18 50 | 6 | 24 50 |
| Orient | 323 | | 70 | 7 00 | . | ..... |
| Harrisburg | 325 | L. McCarmack | 314 | 31 40 | 6 | 37 40 |
| Industry | 327 | O. E. Kinkade | 215 | 21 50 | 6 | 27 50 |
| Altona | 330 | Jno. Andrews, Jr | 147 | 14 70 | 6 | 20 70 |
| Mt. Erie | 331 | A. C. Holmes | 259 | 25 90 | 6 | 31 90 |
| Tuscola | 332 | C. A. Hawkins | 148 | 14 80 | 6 | 20 80 |
| Tyrian | 333 | | 185 | 18 50 | . | ..... |
| Sumner | 334 | B. F. Hackman | 235 | 23 50 | 6 | 29 50 |
| Schiller | 335 | A. Langfeldt | 150 | 15 00 | 6 | 21 00 |
| New Columbia | 336 | W. F. Cummins | 353 | 35 30 | 6 | 41 30 |
| Oneida | 337 | John Young | 151 | 15 10 | 6 | 21 10 |
| Saline | 339 | Henry Terry | 329 | 32 90 | 6 | 38 90 |
| Kedron | 340 | J. M. Wiswell | 193 | 19 30 | 6 | 25 30 |
| Full Moon | 341 | D. C. Slaten | 268 | 26 80 | 6 | 32 80 |
| Summerfield | 342 | Jacob Schuhmacher | 283 | 28 30 | 6 | 34 30 |
| Wenona | 344 | F. M. Moulton, Sr | 108 | 10 80 | 6 | 16 80 |
| Milledgeville | 345 | C. E. Johnston | 122 | 12 20 | 6 | 18 20 |
| N. D. Morse | 346 | C. E. Willard | 226 | 22 60 | 6 | 28 60 |
| Sidney | 347 | J. F. Rankin | 138 | 13 80 | 6 | 19 80 |
| Flat Rock | 348 | Leslie E. Magill | 212 | 21 20 | 6 | 27 20 |
| Sublette | 349 | Sam Lefflemun | 93 | 9 30 | 2 | 11 30 |
| Fairview | 350 | B. L. TenEyek | 193 | 19 30 | 6 | 25 30 |
| Tarbolton | 351 | C. E. Gregg | 93 | 9 30 | 6 | 15 30 |
| Groveland | 352 | Jacob Grieder | 150 | 15 00 | 6 | 21 00 |
| Kinderhook | 353 | F. A. Longnecker | 310 | 31 00 | 6 | 37 00 |
| Ark and Anchor | 354 | Geo. W. Hamilton | 201 | 20 10 | 6 | 26 10 |
| Marine | 355 | L. C. May | 264 | 26 40 | 6 | 32 40 |
| Hermitage | 356 | B. R. Mayne | 265 | 26 50 | 6 | 32 50 |
| Orion | 358 | Ernest Daehn | 62 | 6 20 | 6 | 12 20 |
| Blackberry | 359 | Paul E. Scott | 44 | 4 40 | 2 | 6 60 |
| Princeville | 360 | W. M. Hoag | 145 | 14 50 | 6 | 20 50 |
| Douglas | 361 | C. L. Dauber | 305 | 30 50 | 6 | 36 50 |
| Noble | 362 | F. H. Henry | 239 | 23 90 | 6 | 29 90 |
| Horeb | 363 | H. J. McCabe | 162 | 16 20 | 6 | 22 20 |
| Tonica | 364 | E. A. Boyles | 103 | 10 30 | 6 | 16 30 |
| Bement | 365 | A. L. Hawver | 153 | 15 30 | 6 | 21 30 |
| Arcola | 366 | J. D. Bailey | 157 | 15 70 | 6 | 21 70 |
| Oxford | 367 | Wm. H. Veeder | 160 | 16 00 | 6 | 22 00 |
| Jefferson | 368 | Geo. A. Golden | 284 | 28 40 | 6 | 34 40 |
| Newman | 369 | J. T. Burgen | 162 | 16 20 | 6 | 22 20 |
| Livingston | 371 | C. A. Erickson | 74 | 7 40 | 6 | 13 40 |
| Chambersburg | 373 | L. M. Metz | 283 | 28 30 | 6 | 34 30 |
| Shabbona | 374 | | 67 | 6 70 | . | ..... |
| Aroma | 378 | L. C. Woodington | 61 | 6 10 | 6 | 12 10 |
| Payson | 379 | Ernest F. Griggs | 280 | 28 00 | 6 | 34 00 |
| Liberty | 380 | Ralph W. Roe | 283 | 28 30 | 6 | 34 30 |
| Gill | 382 | E. Ray Heaton | 228 | 22 80 | 6 | 28 80 |
| LaMoille | 383 | | 93 | 9 30 | . | ..... |
| Waltham | 384 | W. H. Davis | 94 | 9 40 | 6 | 15 40 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mississippi | 385 | W. L. Hyde | 143 | $14 30 | $6 | 20 30 |
| Bridgeport | 386 | Clarence Umfleet | 228 | 22 80 | 6 | 28 80 |
| El Dara | 388 | P. A. Moyer | 310 | 31 00 | 6 | 37 00 |
| Kankakee | 389 | G. B. Seitz | 55 | 5 50 | 6 | 11 50 |
| Ashmore | 390 | W. E. Galbreath | 193 | 19 30 | 6 | 25 30 |
| Tolono | 391 | | 136 | 13 60 | . | ..... |
| Oconee | 392 | C. S. Turner | 214 | 21 40 | 6 | 27 40 |
| Blair | 393 | Austin G. French | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Jerseyville | 394 | H. A. Daniels | 252 | 25 20 | 6 | 31 20 |
| Muddy Point | 396 | T. W. Icenade | 183 | 18 30 | 6 | 24 30 |
| Shiloh | 397 | Chas. B. Willshay | 86 | 8 60 | 6 | 14 60 |
| Kinmundy | 398 | A. M. Allen | 228 | 22 80 | 6 | 28 80 |
| Buda | 399 | | 117 | 11 70 | . | ..... |
| Odell | 401 | Frank W. Brown | 82 | 8 20 | 6 | 14 20 |
| Kiswaukee | 402 | Frank W. Stark | 63 | 6 30 | 6 | 12 30 |
| Mason City | 403 | W. G. Buensmeier | 172 | 17 20 | 6 | 23 20 |
| Batavia | 404 | H. W. Benson | 38 | 3 80 | 6 | 9 80 |
| Ramsey | 405 | Amos Gage | 223 | 22 30 | 6 | 28 30 |
| Bethalto | 406 | J. R. Elliott | 261 | 26 10 | 6 | 32 10 |
| Stratton | 408 | L. E. Lamb | 168 | 16 80 | 6 | 22 80 |
| Thos. J. Turner | 409 | Frank H. Nabers | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Mithra | 410 | Anton Ullspergen | 2 | 20 | 6 | 6 20 |
| Hesperia | 411 | Wm. W. Fullagad | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Bollen | 412 | | 138 | 13 80 | . | ..... |
| Evening Star | 414 | L. F. Elert | 117 | 11 70 | 6 | 17 70 |
| Lawn Ridge | 415 | Grant Burdick | 163 | 16 30 | 6 | 22 30 |
| Paxton | 416 | O. E. Sheldon | 101 | 10 10 | 6 | 16 10 |
| Marseilles | 417 | J. H. Goodell | 77 | 7 70 | 6 | 13 70 |
| Freeburg | 418 | Daniel Barger | 303 | 30 30 | 6 | 36 30 |
| Reynoldsburg | 419 | L. D. Alexander | 338 | 33 80 | 6 | 39 80 |
| Oregon | 420 | H. D. Allhouse | 90 | 9 90 | 6 | 15 90 |
| Washburn | 421 | J. E. Calbaum | 129 | 12 90 | 6 | 18 90 |
| Landmark | 422 | Alfred L. Johnson | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Lanark | 423 | R. D. Bray | 120 | 12 00 | 6 | 18 00 |
| Exeter | 424 | Henry Hubbert | 262 | 26 20 | 6 | 32 20 |
| Scottville | 426 | W. H. Vanbebben | 262 | 26 20 | 6 | 32 20 |
| Red Bud | 427 | Geo. G. Guker | 318 | 31 80 | 6 | 37 80 |
| Sunbeam | 428 | C. H. Hoard | 52 | 5 20 | 6 | 11 20 |
| Chebanse | 429 | John Burrill | 63 | 6 30 | 6 | 12 30 |
| Kendrick | 430 | Roscoe E. Arvin | 248 | 24 80 | 6 | 30 80 |
| Summit | 431 | H. P. Ash | 180 | 18 00 | 6 | 24 00 |
| Murrayville | 432 | C. J. Wright | 222 | 22 20 | 6 | 28 20 |
| Annawan | 433 | L. L. Lloyd | 152 | 15 20 | 6 | 21 20 |
| Makanda | 434 | Geo. Granger | 315 | 31 50 | 6 | 37 50 |
| Philo | 436 | G. W. Setzer | 152 | 15 20 | 6 | 21 20 |
| Chicago | 437 | M. M. Markus | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Camargo | 440 | John Harsley | 156 | 15 60 | 6 | 21 60 |
| Sparland | 441 | N. W. Macon | 135 | 13 50 | 6 | 19 50 |
| Casey | 442 | H. C. Leggetts | 193 | 19 30 | 6 | 25 30 |
| Hampshire | 443 | | 51 | 5 10 | . | ..... |
| Cave-in-Rock | 444 | C. A. Okerson | 333 | 33 30 | 6 | 39 30 |
| Chesterfield | 445 | Don A. Drum | 233 | 23 30 | 6 | 29 30 |
| Watseka | 446 | C A. Payne | 77 | 7 70 | 6 | 13 70 |
| S. D. Monroe | 447 | S. D. Day | 217 | 21 70 | 6 | 27 70 |
| Yates City | 448 | E. B. Runyon | 164 | 16 40 | 6 | 22 40 |
| Mendon | 449 | W. H. Thomas | 278 | 27 80 | 6 | 33 80 |
| Loami | 450 | T. E. Park | 199 | 19 90 | 6 | 25 90 |
| Bromwell | 451 | O. D. Hedrick | 196 | 19 60 | 6 | 25 60 |
| New Hartford | 453 | J. A. James | 263 | 26 30 | 6 | 32 30 |
| Maroa | 454 | Arthur V. Bowden | 157 | 15 70 | 6 | 21 70 |
| Irving | 455 | C. E. Padgett | 233 | 23 30 | 6 | 29 30 |
| Nokomis | 456 | Howard L. Hargram | 224 | 22 40 | 6 | 28 40 |
| Blazing Star | 458 | G. B. Dodds | 323 | 32 30 | 6 | 38 30 |
| Jeffersonville | 460 | W. E. Morgan | 251 | 25 10 | 6 | 31 10 |
| Plainview | 461 | J. E. Morrison | 236 | 23 60 | 6 | 29 60 |

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| LODGE. | NO. | REPRESENTATIVES | Miles..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tremont | 462 | G. D. Smith | 153 | $15 30 | $6 | $21 30 |
| Palmyra | 463 | Frank P. Gangluer | 219 | 21 90 | 6 | 27 90 |
| Denver | 464 | C. A. Graves | 247 | 24 70 | 6 | 30 70 |
| Huntsville | 465 | C. E. Bilderback | 234 | 23 40 | 6 | 29 40 |
| Cobden | 466 | H. S. Hardin | 322 | 32 20 | 6 | 38 20 |
| South Macon | 467 | Delmar Byard | 183 | 18 30 | 6 | 24 30 |
| Cheney's Grove | 468 | J. D. Hester | 118 | 11 80 | 6 | 17 80 |
| McLean | 469 | W. N. Ewing | 141 | 14 10 | 6 | 20 10 |
| Rantoul | 470 | Glenn Robinson | 113 | 11 30 | 6 | 17 30 |
| Kendall | 471 | L Doetschman | 50 | 5 00 | 6 | 11 00 |
| Amity | 472 | E. V. Shotwell | 30 | 3 00 | 6 | 9 00 |
| Gordon | 473 | Homer L. Dodson | 257 | 25 70 | 6 | 31 70 |
| Columbia | 474 | Chas. L. Ebel | 291 | 29 10 | 6 | 35 10 |
| Walshville | 475 | Earl Missunare | 258 | 25 80 | 6 | 31 80 |
| Manito | 476 | Harvey S. Martin | 173 | 17 30 | 6 | 23 30 |
| Rutland | 477 | Cornelius Winans | 124 | 12 40 | 6 | 18 40 |
| Pleiades | 478 | F. P. Hart | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Wyoming | 479 | W. E. Rackestraw | 137 | 13 70 | 6 | 19 70 |
| Momence | 481 | G. W. Fox | 50 | 5 00 | 6 | 11 00 |
| Lexington | 482 | G. W. Bishop | 110 | 11 00 | 6 | 17 00 |
| Edgewood | 484 | John C. Lieb | 213 | 21 30 | 6 | 27 30 |
| Xenia | 485 | H. L. Elliott | 271 | 27 10 | 6 | 33 10 |
| Bowen | 486 | John R. Veach | 244 | 24 40 | 6 | 30 40 |
| Andrew Jackson | 487 | W. H. Pierson | 326 | 32 60 | 6 | 38 60 |
| Clay City | 488 | E. W. Chrisman | 261 | 26 10 | 6 | 32 10 |
| Cooper | 489 | J. H. Ransdell | 220 | 22 00 | 6 | 28 00 |
| Shannon | 490 | I. H. Earlenbaugh | 123 | 12 30 | 6 | 18 30 |
| Martin | 491 | Ben Werner | 180 | 18 00 | 6 | 24 00 |
| Libertyville | 492 | Chas. F. Smale, Jr. | 36 | 3 60 | 6 | 9 60 |
| Tower Hill | 493 | Chas. R. Eiler | 203 | 20 30 | 6 | 26 30 |
| Stone Fort | 495 | Guy Mount | 327 | 32 70 | 6 | 38 70 |
| Colchester | 496 | Fred Terrill | 209 | 20 90 | 6 | 26 90 |
| Alma | 497 | J. E. Randall | 303 | 30 30 | 6 | 36 30 |
| Murphysboro | 498 | W. R. Wright | 315 | 31 50 | 6 | 37 50 |
| St. Paul | 500 | Geo. A. Benzal | 185 | 18 50 | 6 | 24 50 |
| Stark | 501 | J. H. White | 145 | 14 50 | 6 | 20 50 |
| Woodhull | 502 | F. W. Overstreet | 153 | 15 30 | 6 | 21 30 |
| Odin | 503 | T H. McClelland | 243 | 24 30 | 6 | 30 30 |
| East St. Louis | 504 | Wm. A. Murphy | 281 | 28 10 | 6 | 34 10 |
| Meridian Sun | 505 | | 78 | 7 80 | . | ..... |
| O. H. Miner | 506 | N. S. Pearce | 81 | 8 10 | 6 | 14 10 |
| Home | 508 | W. R. Blake | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Parkersburg | 509 | Silas H. Barker | 242 | 24 20 | 6 | 30 20 |
| J. D. Moody | 510 | Chas. Dabney | 258 | 25 80 | 6 | 31 80 |
| Wade-Barney | 512 | J. E. Roberts | 127 | 12 70 | 6 | 18 70 |
| Bradford | 514 | Otto C. Boyd | 128 | 12 80 | 6 | 18 80 |
| Andalusia | 516 | Fred C. Hafer | 193 | 19 30 | 6 | 25 30 |
| Litchfield | 517 | A. P. Pugh | 234 | 23 40 | 6 | 29 40 |
| Abraham Lincoln | 518 | Ralph D. Tinkham | 185 | 18 50 | 6 | 24 50 |
| Roseville | 519 | H. E. Lance | 191 | 19 10 | 6 | 25 10 |
| Anna | 520 | Oliver Alden | 327 | 32 70 | 6 | 38 70 |
| Illiopolis | 521 | F. A Rule | 189 | 18 90 | 6 | 24 90 |
| Monitor | 522 | L. W. McGill | 37 | 3 70 | 6 | 9 70 |
| Chatham | 523 | F. B. Whitney | 194 | 19 40 | 6 | 25 40 |
| Evans | 524 | Horach F. Smith | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Covenant | 526 | Harry E. Gavey | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Rossville | 527 | Albert Miller | 106 | 10 60 | 6 | 16 60 |
| Minooka | 528 | | 51 | 5 10 | . | ..... |
| Adams | 529 | H. G. Boren | 285 | 28 50 | 6 | 34 50 |
| Maquon | 530 | J. E. Shearer | 172 | 17 20 | 6 | 23 20 |
| Ashton | 531 | C. L. Hunter | 84 | 8 40 | 6 | 14 40 |
| Seneca | 532 | F. A. Whittaker | 72 | 7 20 | 6 | 13 20 |
| Altamont | 533 | L. S. Hufford | 210 | 21 00 | 6 | 27 00 |
| Cuba | 534 | Wm. Penn | 189 | 18 90 | 6 | 24 90 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sherman | 535 | Wm. G. Swanson | 164 | $16 40 | $6 | $22 40 |
| Plainfield | 536 | Fred S. Pratt | 48 | 4 80 | 4 | 8 80 |
| J. R. Gorin | 537 | J. T. Wise | 141 | 14 10 | 6 | 20 10 |
| Lockport | 538 | W. C. Goodale | 33 | 3 30 | 6 | 9 30 |
| Chatsworth | 539 | H. F. Clover | 95 | 9 50 | 6 | 15 50 |
| Oak Park | 540 | Geo. J. Stover | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |
| Stewardson | 541 | Chas. Meitzer, Jr | 200 | 20 00 | 6 | 26 00 |
| Towanda | 542 | Roy C. Vannum | 118 | 11 80 | 6 | 17 80 |
| Cordova | 543 | | 162 | 16 20 | .... | ..... |
| Virginia | 544 | M. C. Petefish | 212 | 21 20 | 6 | 27 20 |
| Valley | 547 | Jas. F. Spurgo | 176 | 17 60 | 6 | 23 60 |
| Sharon | 550 | | 123 | 12 30 | .... | ..... |
| Long Point | 552 | G. F. Turner | 99 | 9 90 | 6 | 15 90 |
| Plum River | 554 | J. T. Sheetz | 132 | 13 20 | 6 | 19 20 |
| Humboldt | 555 | L. W. Leipold | 85 | 8 50 | 6 | 14 50 |
| Dawson | 556 | S. E. Yocum | 202 | 20 20 | 6 | 26 20 |
| Lessing | 557 | J. R. Hardtman | 1 | 10 | .... | ..... |
| Leland | 558 | | 66 | 6 60 | 6 | 12 60 |
| Thomson | 559 | A. D. Widendy | 148 | 14 80 | 6 | 20 80 |
| Madison | 560 | Jno. C. Olive | 257 | 25 70 | 6 | 31 70 |
| Trinity | 562 | Henry Perkins | 358 | 35 80 | 6 | 41 80 |
| Winslow | 564 | Sam S. Sinclair | 132 | 13 20 | 6 | 19 20 |
| Pleasant Hill | 565 | W. A. Windmiller | 260 | 26 00 | 6 | 32 00 |
| Albany | 566 | E. A. Fassett | 144 | 14 40 | 6 | 20 40 |
| Frankfort | 567 | E. 1. P. Evans | 305 | 30 50 | 6 | 36 50 |
| Time | 569 | C. J. Wells | 260 | 26 00 | 6 | 36 00 |
| Jacksonville | 570 | C. S. Richards | 216 | 21 60 | 6 | 27 60 |
| Bardolph | 572 | J. F. Douglass | 196 | 19 60 | 6 | 25 60 |
| Gardner | 573 | David Green | 64 | 6 40 | 6 | 12 40 |
| Pera | 574 | W. H. Walker | 107 | 10 70 | 6 | 16 70 |
| Capron | 575 | I. O. Coudry | 70 | 7 00 | 6 | 13 00 |
| O'Fallon | 576 | Thos. T. Gordon | 292 | 29 20 | 6 | 35 20 |
| Viola | 577 | J. G. Lenn | 167 | 16 70 | 6 | 22 70 |
| Prairie City | 578 | C. E. Mesnard | 208 | 20 80 | 6 | 26 80 |
| Hazel Dell | 580 | John Gore | 195 | 19 50 | 6 | 25 50 |
| Dongola | 581 | E. Kanaker | 336 | 33 60 | 6 | 39 60 |
| Shirley | 582 | O. V. Douglas | 132 | 13 20 | 6 | 19 20 |
| Highland | 583 | H. T. Jost | 277 | 27 70 | 6 | 33 70 |
| Vesper | 584 | H. J. Lowe | 163 | 16 30 | 6 | 22 30 |
| Fisher | 585 | R. A. Robinson | 195 | 19 50 | 6 | 25 50 |
| Princeton | 587 | Geo. C. Smith | 104 | 10 40 | 6 | 16 40 |
| Troy | 588 | C. E. Madden | 287 | 28 70 | 6 | 34 70 |
| Fairmount | 590 | | 136 | 13 60 | .... | ..... |
| Gilman | 591 | D. W. Miller | 80 | 8 00 | 6 | 14 00 |
| Fieldon | 592 | G. Kersler | 270 | 27 00 | 6 | 33 00 |
| Miles Hart | 595 | J. R. Wallace | 178 | 17 80 | 6 | 23 80 |
| Cerro Gordo | 600 | D. A. Troxel | 161 | 16 10 | 6 | 22 10 |
| Farina | 601 | J. B. Gwinn | 222 | 22 20 | 6 | 28 20 |
| Watson | 602 | W. J. Zalmon | 204 | 20 40 | 6 | 26 40 |
| Clark | 603 | J. I. Brydon | 187 | 18 70 | 6 | 24 70 |
| Hebron | 604 | W. M. Miller | 73 | 7 30 | 6 | 13 30 |
| Streator | 607 | | 90 | 9 00 | .... | ..... |
| Piper | 608 | A. E. Lonsdale | 91 | 9 10 | 6 | 15 10 |
| Sheldon | 609 | A. M. Webster | 84 | 8 40 | 6 | 14 40 |
| Union Park | 610 | Jas. F. Anderson | 5 | 50 | 4 | 4 50 |
| Lincoln Park | 611 | O. A. Wachs | 2 | 20 | 6 | 6 20 |
| Rock River | 612 | J. M. Penrose | 110 | 11 00 | 6 | 17 00 |
| Patoka | 613 | F. M. Smith | 247 | 24 70 | 6 | 30 70 |
| Forrest | 614 | Wm. Overton | 93 | 9 30 | 6 | 15 30 |
| Wadley | 616 | H. G. Duncan | 229 | 22 90 | 6 | 28 90 |
| Good Hope | 617 | E. L. Newman | 229 | 22 90 | 6 | 28 90 |
| Basco | 618 | C. J. Ancelot | 245 | 24 50 | 6 | 30 50 |
| New Hope | 620 | E. R. Black | 180 | 18 00 | 6 | 24 00 |
| Hopedale | 622 | J. H. Crawford | 149 | 14 90 | 6 | 20 90 |
| Locust | 623 | J. H. Hoenfinger | 208 | 20 80 | 6 | 26 80 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Union | 627 | R. M. Damron | 330 | $33 00 | $6 | $39 00 |
| Tuscan | 630 | G. W. Burnett | 320 | 32 00 | 6 | 38 00 |
| Norton | 631 | | 78 | 7 80 | .... | ..... |
| Ridge Farm | 632 | W. R. Homada | 140 | 14 00 | 6 | 20 00 |
| E. F. W. Ellis | 633 | Arthur Eastland | 87 | 8 70 | 6 | 14 70 |
| Buckley | 634 | | 92 | 9 20 | .... | ..... |
| Rochester | 635 | C. W. Frame | 194 | 19 40 | 6 | 25 40 |
| Peotone | 636 | Harry Fedde | 39 | 3 90 | 6 | 9 90 |
| Keystone | 639 | H. F. Bogardus | 2 | 20 | 6 | 6 20 |
| Comet | 641 | J. L. Booth | 144 | 14 40 | 6 | 20 40 |
| Apollo | 642 | H. L. Canneman | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| D. C. Cregier | 643 | C. J. Orbeson | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Oblong City | 644 | C. W. Griffiths | 204 | 20 40 | 6 | 26 40 |
| San Jose | 645 | R. F. M. Smith | 163 | 16 30 | 6 | 22 30 |
| Somonauk | 646 | W. J. Runney | 59 | 5 90 | 6 | 11 90 |
| Blueville | 647 | W. O. Williams | 203 | 20 30 | 6 | 26 30 |
| Camden | 648 | W. S. Tweedell | 245 | 24 50 | 6 | 30 50 |
| Atwood | 651 | W. T. Flickinger | 157 | 15 70 | 6 | 21 70 |
| Greenview | 653 | Guy L. Swiney | 180 | 18 00 | 6 | 24 00 |
| Yorktown | 655 | Frank W. Yarde | 120 | 12 00 | 6 | 18 00 |
| Mozart | 656 | H. C. Rodenhauser | 127 | 12 70 | 6 | 18 70 |
| Lafayette | 657 | D. H. Cady | 333 | 33 30 | 6 | 39 30 |
| Rock Island | 658 | J. B. Jones | 181 | 18 10 | 6 | 24 10 |
| Lambert | 659 | Wilton E. White | 263 | 26 30 | 6 | 32 30 |
| Grand Chain | 660 | G. W. Boyd | 361 | 36 10 | 6 | 42 10 |
| South Park | 662 | T. A. Hewitt | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Mayo | 664 | J. C. Clagg | 222 | 22 20 | 6 | 28 20 |
| Beecher City | 665 | R. F. Manfield | 218 | 21 80 | 6 | 27 80 |
| Crawford | 666 | U. E. Riegel | 205 | 20 50 | 6 | 26 50 |
| Erie | 667 | P. W. Carlson | 131 | 13 10 | 6 | 19 10 |
| Burnt Prairie | 668 | E. R. Martin | 271 | 27 10 | 6 | 33 10 |
| Herder | 669 | W. W. Sicker | 3 | 30 | 6 | 6 30 |
| Fillmore | 670 | Kent Richmond | 233 | 23 30 | 6 | 29 30 |
| Eddyville | 672 | W. L. Reid | 345 | 34 50 | 6 | 40 50 |
| Normal | 673 | W. W. McKnight | 124 | 12 40 | 6 | 18 40 |
| Waldeck | 674 | Frank Fisens | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Pawnee | 675 | C. E. Lawler | 201 | 20 10 | 6 | 26 10 |
| A. O. Fay | 676 | John Hay | 23 | 2 30 | 6 | 8 30 |
| Enfield | 677 | M. A. Miller | 275 | 27 50 | 6 | 33 50 |
| Buffalo Prairie | 679 | F. S. Venable | 202 | 20 20 | 6 | 26 20 |
| Clement | 680 | W. D. Sherrill | 170 | 17 00 | 6 | 23 00 |
| Morrisonville | 681 | J. R. Pence | 213 | 21 30 | 6 | 27 30 |
| Blue Mound | 682 | W. H. Bean | 187 | 18 70 | 6 | 24 70 |
| Burnside | 683 | S. S. Carlisle | 226 | 22 60 | 6 | 28 60 |
| Galatia | 684 | Otis Stone | 317 | 31 70 | 6 | 37 70 |
| Rio | 685 | F. O. Munson | 163 | 16 39 | 6 | 22 30 |
| Garfield | 686 | Geo. W. Banks | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Orangeville | 687 | Thos. Clark | 128 | 12 80 | 6 | 18 80 |
| Clifton | 688 | Geo. M. Brooks | 68 | 6 80 | 6 | 12 80 |
| Englewood | 690 | J. C. Huggett | 9 | 90 | 6 | 6 90 |
| Iola | 691 | J. E. Downey | 220 | 22 00 | 6 | 28 00 |
| Raymond | 692 | H. J. Henderson | 223 | 22 30 | 6 | 28 30 |
| Herrin's Prairie | 693 | J. P. Benson | 321 | 32 10 | 6 | 38 10 |
| Shiloh Hill | 695 | Harry Martin | 311 | 31 10 | 6 | 37 10 |
| Belle Rive | 696 | I. D. Hampton | 284 | 28 40 | 6 | 34 40 |
| Richard Cole | 697 | Wm. Robertson | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Hutton | 698 | L. E. Baughman | 191 | 19 10 | 6 | 25 10 |
| Pleasant Plains | 700 | | 200 | 20 00 | .... | ..... |
| Temple Hill | 701 | | 358 | 35 80 | .... | ..... |
| Alexandria | 702 | C. W. Postlewaite | 172 | 17 20 | 6 | 23 20 |
| Braidwood | 704 | Marion Morris | 57 | 5 70 | 6 | 11 70 |
| Ewing | 705 | J. D. Hemphill | 295 | 29 50 | 6 | 35 50 |
| Joppa | 706 | A. Pratio | 207 | 20 70 | 6 | 26 70 |
| Star | 709 | L. W. Madden | 99 | 9 90 | 6 | 15 90 |
| Farmer City | 710 | F. O. Arbogast | 129 | 12 90 | 4 | 16 90 |

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| Providence | 711 | G. U. Melolung | 8 | $ 80 | $6 | $ 6 80 |
| Collinsville | 712 | R. G. Kneidler | 277 | 27 70 | 6 | 33 70 |
| Johnsonville | 713 | D. E. Hilliard | 247 | 24 70 | 6 | 30 70 |
| Collison | 714 | D. M. Fowler | 123 | 12 30 | 6 | 18 30 |
| Elvaston | 715 | J. W. Cochran | 236 | 23 60 | 6 | 29 60 |
| Calumet | 716 | G. F. VanGorder | 16 | 1 60 | 2 | 3 60 |
| Arcana | 717 | C. F. Stiles | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| May | 718 | | 283 | 28 30 | .... | ..... |
| Chapel Hill | 719 | I. N. Lentz | 325 | 32 50 | 6 | 38 50 |
| Rome | 721 | F. J. Baldridge | 270 | 27 00 | 6 | 33 00 |
| Walnut | 722 | L. Mayor | 109 | 10 90 | 6 | 16 90 |
| Omaha | 723 | H. P. Kinsall. | 290 | 29 00 | 6 | 35 00 |
| Chandlerville | 724 | J. W. Lynn | 210 | 21 00 | 6 | 27 00 |
| Rankin | 725 | C. B. McHaley | 111 | 11 10 | 6 | 17 10 |
| Golden Rule | 726 | C. A. Kaepke | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Raritan | 727 | Jess Tilley | 215 | 21 50 | 6 | 27 50 |
| Waterman | 728 | | 62 | 6 20 | .... | ..... |
| Lake Creek | 729 | Gordon Pillow | 311 | 31 10 | 6 | 37 10 |
| Eldorado | 730 | G. A. Grable | 306 | 30 60 | 6 | 36 60 |
| Harbor | 731 | F. A. Rusbrowsky | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Carman | 732 | A. C. Babcock | 212 | 21 20 | 6 | 27 20 |
| Gibson | 733 | R. N. Lane | 109 | 10 90 | 6 | 16 90 |
| Morning Star | 734 | O. K. Hummell | 181 | 18 10 | 6 | 24 10 |
| Sheridan | 735 | E. D. Robinson | 67 | 6 70 | 6 | 12 70 |
| Arrowsmith | 737 | | 124 | 12 40 | .... | ..... |
| Saunemin | 738 | E. E. Monroe | 83 | 8 30 | 6 | 14 30 |
| Lakeside | 739 | J. A. Black | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| New Holland | 741 | Geo. Brinner | 170 | 17 00 | 6 | 23 00 |
| Danvers | 742 | D. E. Maurer | 136 | 13 60 | 6 | 19 60 |
| Scott Land | 743 | J. F. Jennings | 156 | 15 60 | 6 | 21 60 |
| Goode | 744 | O. H. Lewis | 292 | 29 20 | 6 | 35 20 |
| Winnebago | 745 | H. J. Waterstreet | 100 | 10 00 | 6 | 16 00 |
| Weldon | 746 | V. C. Swigart | 155 | 15 50 | 6 | 21 50 |
| Centennial | 747 | R. L. Jessie | 142 | 14 20 | 6 | 20 20 |
| Alta | 748 | E. W. Matthews | 156 | 15 60 | 6 | 21 60 |
| Akin | 749 | J. H. White | 316 | 31 60 | 6 | 37 60 |
| Lyndon | 750 | P. C. Riley | 123 | 12 30 | 6 | 18 30 |
| Lounsbury | 751 | | 31 | 3 10 | .... | ..... |
| Allendale | 752 | J. C. Robinson | 240 | 24 00 | 6 | 30 00 |
| Ogden | 754 | D. E. Helton | 141 | 14 10 | 6 | 20 10 |
| Pre-emption | 755 | | 193 | 19 30 | .... | ..... |
| Hardinsville | 756 | W. S. Higgins | 220 | 22 00 | 6 | 28 00 |
| Verona | 757 | J. P. Harford | 71 | 7 10 | 6 | 13 10 |
| Mystic Star | 758 | W. C. McSherry | 9 | 90 | 6 | 6 90 |
| Orel | 759 | Jno. Koontz | 271 | 27 10 | 6 | 33 10 |
| Sibley | 761 | H. W. Seichman | 104 | 10 40 | 6 | 16 40 |
| Van Meter | 762 | Geo. S. Vammer | 196 | 19 60 | 6 | 25 60 |
| Crete | 763 | J. E. Hill | 30 | 3 00 | 6 | 9 00 |
| Sullivan | 764 | C. D. Lindsay | 176 | 17 60 | 6 | 23 60 |
| Palace | 765 | J. A. Zellar | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Littleton | 766 | L. L. Horney | 221 | 22 10 | 6 | 28 10 |
| Triluminar | 767 | E. J. Frey | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Mizpah | 768 | H. R. Young | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| St. Elmo | 769 | E. L. Greider | 225 | 22 50 | 6 | 28 50 |
| LaGrange | 770 | Geo. A. Baldwin | 14 | 1 40 | 6 | 7 40 |
| Bay City | 771 | J. M. Pryor | 378 | 37 80 | 6 | 43 80 |
| New Burnside | 772 | O. A. Wise | 331 | 33 10 | 6 | 39 10 |
| Mansfield | 773 | A. T. Smothers | 132 | 13 20 | 6 | 19 20 |
| Lake View | 774 | O. J. Taylor | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Grand Crossing | 776 | L. E. Simons | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |
| Ravenswood | 777 | W. J. Selble | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Gurney | 778 | J. N. Ruble | 357 | 35 70 | 6 | 41 70 |
| Wright's Grove | 779 | C. A. Stayart | 3 | 30 | 6 | 6 30 |
| Siloam | 780 | J. W. Christie | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Potomac | 782 | C. H. Jester | 122 | 12 20 | 6 | 18 20 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Constantia | 783 | F. Schreck | 1 | $ 10 | $6 | $ 6 10 |
| Beacon Light | 784 | Chas. Schneider | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Riverton Union | 786 | J. L. Parsons | 192 | 19 20 | 6 | 25 20 |
| Morris | 787 | Arthur Engelbrecht | 305 | 30 50 | 6 | 36 50 |
| Lerna | 788 | J. W. Willson | 177 | 17 70 | 6 | 23 70 |
| Auburn Park | 789 | W. E. Fisher | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| Pittsfield | 790 | A. B. Carey, Jr. | 257 | 25 70 | 6 | 31 70 |
| Broadlands | 791 | A. S. Maxwell | 156 | 15 60 | 6 | 21 60 |
| Calhoun | 792 | W. L. Molta | 275 | 27 50 | 6 | 33 50 |
| A. T. Darrah | 793 | J. W. Harpman | 165 | 16 50 | 6 | 22 50 |
| Tadmor | 794 | Geo. W. Joyce | 325 | 32 50 | 6 | 38 50 |
| Myrtle | 795 | F. C. Luebbe | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| E. M. Husted | 796 | S. L. Smith | 237 | 23 70 | 6 | 29 70 |
| Normal Park | 797 | K. R. Howard | 9 | 90 | 6 | 6 90 |
| Sidell | 798 | Glen Lough | 147 | 14 70 | 6 | 20 70 |
| Colfax | 799 | | 119 | 11 90 | | |
| Kenwood | 800 | W. A. Moulton | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Sangamon | 801 | S. D. Donavan | 122 | 12 20 | 6 | 18 20 |
| Williamson | 802 | C. H. Bundy | 316 | 31 60 | 6 | 37 60 |
| Neponset | 803 | Chas. L. Higgins | 123 | 12 30 | 6 | 18 30 |
| Kensington | 804 | Robt. McGohie | 13 | 1 30 | 6 | 7 30 |
| S. M. Dalzell | 805 | R. M. F. Hill | 104 | 10 40 | 6 | 16 40 |
| Nebo | 806 | | 255 | 25 50 | | |
| Royal | 807 | J. E. Marquis | 325 | 32 50 | 6 | 38 50 |
| Cornland | 808 | E. A. Day | 176 | 17 60 | 6 | 23 60 |
| Gillham | 809 | Yates Ingram | 232 | 23 20 | 6 | 29 20 |
| Tracy | 810 | G. W. Cummings | 13 | 1 30 | 6 | 7 30 |
| Melvin | 811 | | 99 | 9 90 | | |
| De Land | 812 | E. R. Reichert | 150 | 15 00 | 6 | 21 00 |
| Humboldt Park | 813 | L. B. Dyer | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Ohio | 814 | E. P. Spooner | 102 | 10 20 | 6 | 16 20 |
| Lawn | 815 | H. P. Falkner | 11 | 1 10 | 6 | 7 10 |
| Ridgway | 816 | L. M. King | 297 | 29 70 | 6 | 35 70 |
| Creal Springs | 817 | John B. Leach | 326 | 32 60 | 6 | 38 60 |
| Ben Hur | 818 | Leroy F. Huntz | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Columbian | 819 | W. H. Wilson | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Henderson | 820 | Chas. F. McLean | 155 | 15 50 | 6 | 21 50 |
| New Canton | 821 | Cyrus. P. Gard | 291 | 29 10 | 6 | 35 10 |
| Belknap | 822 | C. C. Fain | 355 | 35 50 | 6 | 41 50 |
| Pearl | 823 | L. J. Krull | 120 | 12 00 | 6 | 18 00 |
| Grove | 824 | Henry E. Tank | 21 | 2 10 | 6 | 8 10 |
| Arthur | 825 | James I. Lawrence | 165 | 16 50 | 6 | 22 50 |
| Mazon | 826 | J. F. Gardner | 66 | 6 60 | 6 | 12 60 |
| Sequoit | 827 | Geo. W. Landgroff | 58 | 5 80 | 6 | 11 80 |
| Edgar | 829 | Pearl Jett | 156 | 15 60 | 6 | 21 60 |
| Rockport | 830 | Chas. N. Haines | 278 | 27 80 | 6 | 33 80 |
| Findlay | 831 | Benj. J. Johnson | 185 | 18 50 | 6 | 24 50 |
| Harvey | 832 | W. R. Branut | 19 | 1 90 | 6 | 7 90 |
| Dean | 833 | John Bennett | 329 | 32 90 | 6 | 38 90 |
| Toledo | 834 | Charles Wiley | 187 | 18 70 | 6 | 24 70 |
| Triple | 835 | R. B. Studebaker | 278 | 27 80 | 6 | 33 80 |
| Windsor Park | 836 | Henry L. Wysong | 11 | 1 10 | 6 | 7 10 |
| Hindsboro | 837 | James J. Dickson | 167 | 16 70 | 6 | 22 70 |
| Charity | 838 | J. K. Pollock | 179 | 17 90 | 6 | 23 90 |
| Berwyn | 839 | Geo. Collins | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |
| Alto Pass | 840 | Walter Martin | 331 | 33 10 | 6 | 39 10 |
| Woodlawn Park | 841 | G. N. Engstrom | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| Fides | 842 | E. B. Erickson | 13 | 1 30 | 6 | 7 30 |
| Park Lodge | 843 | J. H. O. Engleking | 9 | 90 | 6 | 6 90 |
| Martinton | 845 | | 68 | 6 80 | | |
| Bluffs | 846 | S. E. Arundd | 273 | 27 30 | 6 | 33 30 |
| Stronghurst | 847 | R. I. Findley | 209 | 20 90 | 6 | 26 90 |
| London | 848 | | 182 | 18 20 | | |
| Palestine | 849 | Walter S. Wells | 212 | 21 20 | 6 | 27 20 |

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| LODGE. | NO. | REPRESENTATIVE. | Miles..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Austin | 850 | Bert Salvage | 8 | $ 80 | $6 | $6 80 |
| Chicago Heights | 851 | Chas. C. Cable | 27 | 2 70 | 6 | 8 70 |
| Gothic | 852 | William Claude Rodgers | 281 | 28 10 | 6 | 34 10 |
| Latham | 853 | James H. Harris | 174 | 17 40 | 6 | 23 40 |
| Brighton Park | 854 | Walter E. Felt | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| King Oscar | 855 | Anton Johnson | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| West Gate | 856 | Spencer Waldron | 285 | 28 50 | 6 | 34 50 |
| Boyd D | 857 | | 67 | 6 70 | .... | ..... |
| Utica | 858 | Du Fae Lee | 94 | 9 40 | 6 | 15 40 |
| Apple River | 859 | W. C. McFadden | 143 | 14 30 | 6 | 20 30 |
| Metropolitan | 860 | Leslie E. Cotton | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Sorento | 861 | N. Cowen | 251 | 25 10 | 6 | 31 10 |
| Riverside | 862 | R. C. Dyrenforth | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| St. Andrews | 863 | G. C. Hamilton | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Olympia | 864 | Geo. F. Ordway | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| St. Cecilia | 865 | C. Ward Cheshire | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| West Salem | 866 | Chas. R. Voigt | 247 | 24 70 | 6 | 30 70 |
| Chadwick | 867 | John O. Kerch | 129 | 12 90 | 6 | 18 90 |
| Cornell | 868 | Francis Springer | 102 | 10 20 | 6 | 16 20 |
| Maywood | 869 | Wm. Jedike | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Lostant | 870 | Wm. Schoenneshoefer | 113 | 11 30 | 6 | 17 30 |
| Argenta | 871 | Harry Parr | 161 | 16 10 | 6 | 22 10 |
| Free Will | 872 | C. F. Stanner | 135 | 13 50 | 6 | 19 50 |
| Standard | 873 | C. A. Booer | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Nifong | 874 | Hugh H. Drum | 215 | 21 50 | 6 | 27 50 |
| Cornerstone | 875 | Harry H. Munike | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| William McKinley | 876 | William S. Jones | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Granite City | 877 | E. W. Cooley | 275 | 27 50 | 6 | 33 50 |
| Equity | 878 | Edwin M. Brown | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Composite | 879 | H. B. Snyder | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| John B. Sherman | 880 | Prestie Z. Turner | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| Marissa | 881 | W. C. Stewart | 318 | 31 80 | 6 | 37 80 |
| Boulevard | 882 | J. M. McTaggart | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| Wheeler | 883 | W. E. Gillson | 212 | 21 20 | 6 | 27 20 |
| Bethany | 884 | | 183 | 18 30 | .... | ..... |
| Villa Grove | 885 | C. A. Tuttle | 145 | 14 50 | 6 | 20 50 |
| Hooppole | 886 | Ray H. Petty | 132 | 13 20 | 6 | 19 20 |
| Pyramid | 887 | Samuel A. Stroth | 18 | 1 80 | 6 | 7 80 |
| Damascus | 888 | John A. Kester | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| America | 889 | Francis M. Huston | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Des Plaines | 890 | | 17 | 1 70 | .... | ..... |
| Logan Square | 891 | Ralph Forster | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Constellation | 892 | John Olson | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Loraine | 893 | C. A. Strickler | 257 | 25 70 | 6 | 31 70 |
| Utopia | 894 | Thos. H. Hooper | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Crescent | 895 | Wm. H. Lundie | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Kosmos | 896 | H. O. Guild | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| Ogden Park | 897 | Frank P. Myers | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |
| Silvis | 898 | Geo. Sleeth | 162 | 16 20 | 6 | 22 20 |
| Park Manor | 899 | Frank B. Boice | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Carnation | 900 | William Galt Jones | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Edgewater | 901 | T. E. McCormack | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Alto | 902 | | 71 | 7 10 | .... | ..... |
| Elkhart | 903 | P. J. Barton | 167 | 16 70 | 6 | 22 70 |
| Carlock | 904 | Charles Burcham | 201 | 20 10 | 6 | 26 10 |
| Hanover | 905 | J. N. Speer | 150 | 15 00 | 6 | 21 00 |
| Coffeen | 906 | William R. Haller | 239 | 23 90 | 6 | 29 90 |
| Ancient Craft | 907 | Leopold Apple | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Gil. W. Barnard | 908 | Louis C. Jensen | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |
| Bee Hive | 909 | Jas. A. Berkman | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Hull | 910 | Harry E. Green | 283 | 28 30 | 6 | 34 30 |
| Bellflower | 911 | J. M. Jordan | 121 | 12 10 | 6 | 18 10 |
| Stellar | 912 | P. R. Weedan | 234 | 23 40 | 6 | 29 40 |
| Aaron | 913 | Walter W. Taylor | 9 | 90 | 6 | 6 90 |
| Republic | 914 | F. M. Krenur | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |

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| LODGE. | NO. | REPRESENTATVE. | Miles..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total ..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jackson Park | 915 | Chas. E Adams | 9 | $0 90 | $6 | $ 6 90 |
| Welcome | 916 | Jos. A. Sparr | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Concord | 917 | E. P. Way | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Sessor | 918 | C. A. McBride | 283 | 28 30 | 6 | 34 30 |
| Elwood | 919 | A. F. Bush | 46 | 4 60 | 6 | 10 60 |
| Cottonwood | 920 | Silas Mills | 302 | 30 20 | 6 | 36 20 |
| Avondale | 921 | Alfred H. Courtors, Jr | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Compass | 922 | Joel C. Carlson | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| East Gate | 923 | John E. Day | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Banner Blue | 924 | E. A. Grund | 9 | 90 | 6 | 6 90 |
| Molenna | 945 | L. D. Leach | 263 | 26 30 | 6 | 32 30 |
| Veritas | 926 | E. W. Wilson | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Candida | 927 | Ivan A. Hoy | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Grant Park | 928 | Wm. C. Unruh | 45 | 4 50 | 6 | 10 50 |
| Ashland | 929 | Walter Adkins | 200 | 20 00 | 6 | 26 00 |
| Jos. Robbins | 930 | Gerrot MacLean | 150 | 15 00 | 6 | 21 00 |
| Wilmette | 931 | J. G. Wray | 15 | 1 50 | 6 | 7 50 |
| Sandoval | 932 | Chas. R. Allison | 247 | 24 70 | 6 | 30 70 |
| Manlius | 933 | A. L. Martin | 113 | 11 30 | 6 | 17 30 |
| Ainsdale | 934 | Kent C. Childs | 17 | 1 70 | 6 | 7 70 |
| La Moine | 935 | M. S. Crone | 234 | 23 40 | 6 | 29 40 |
| Rock Falls | 936 | W. Herbert Brown | 113 | 11 30 | 6 | 17 30 |
| North Shore | 937 | A. A. Carlson | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Circle | 938 | Henry J. Smith | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Table Grove | 939 | Charles Cox | 206 | 20 60 | 6 | 26 60 |
| Pearl | 940 | F. M. Thurmon | 246 | 24 60 | 6 | 30 60 |
| Elmhurst | 941 | | 16 | 1 60 | . | ..... |
| Maple Park | 942 | H. S. Denton | 51 | 5 10 | 6 | 11 10 |
| Bohemia | 943 | Otto Polonek | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| John Corson Smith | 944 | Saul. Hytowitz | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Buffalo | 945 | Elemi. Vernon Elliott | 200 | 20 00 | 6 | 26 00 |
| Joy | 946 | Virgil A. Love | 184 | 18 40 | 6 | 24 40 |
| Kenmore | 947 | P. A. Russell | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| R. F. Casey | 948 | G. B. McNeilly | 263 | 26 30 | 6 | 32 30 |
| Justice | 949 | Josiah W. Mason | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Glen Ellyn | 950 | Walter P. Conyers | 23 | 2 30 | 6 | 8 30 |
| Depue | 951 | W. L. Richardson | 110 | 11 00 | 6 | 17 00 |
| Donovan | 952 | Arthur J. Erickson (2) | 76 | 7 60 | 4 | 11 60 |
| Stone Arch | 953 | John M. Bradley | 345 | 34 50 | 6 | 40 50 |
| Progressive | 954 | John C. Renner | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Cicero | 955 | Chas. F. Ranis | 11 | 110 | 6 | 7 10 |
| Washington Park | 956 | Fred B. Sachs | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Prospect | 957 | Jos. A. Winkler (2) | 7 | 70 | 4 | 4 70 |
| Prudence | 958 | Jacob Hirsch | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Warrensburg | 959 | Victor Dewein (2) | 181 | 18 10 | 4 | 22 10 |
| Algonquin | 960 | John E. McKay | 49 | 4 90 | 6 | 10 90 |
| Federal | 961 | H. O. Browning | 9 | 90 | 6 | 6 90 |
| Ben Franklin | 962 | Frank M. McCogne | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Broughton | 963 | J. J. Hall | 314 | 31 40 | 6 | 37 40 |
| Maplewood | 964 | W. E. Warren | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Cisco | 965 | H. B McKinney | 156 | 15 60 | 6 | 21 60 |
| Exemplar | 966 | David D. King | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Dahlgren | 967 | D. F. Whiteds | 291 | 29 10 | 6 | 35 10 |
| South Gate | 968 | M. H. McCreary | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |
| East Moline | 969 | Frank C. Scott | 175 | 17 50 | 6 | 23 50 |
| St. Joe | 970 | Walter C. Peters | 137 | 13 70 | 6 | 19 70 |
| Fernwood Park | 971 | Chas. P. Dunbaugh | 14 | 1 40 | 6 | 7 40 |
| Rainbow | 972 | | ... | ..... | . | ..... |
| Perseverance | 973 | Wm. C. Rapp | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Albany Park | 974 | F. W. Richards | 6 | 60 | 6 | 6 60 |
| Old Glory | 975 | J. B. Cottingham | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| Melrose Abbey | 976 | | 3 | 30 | . | ..... |
| Parian | 977 | Wm. A. Goldsberry | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| Square | 978 | Henry Altman | 11 | 1 10 | 6 | 7 10 |
| Stephen Decatur | 979 | E. L. Harris | 173 | 17 30 | 6 | 23 30 |

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| LODGE. | NO. | REPRESENTATIVE. | Miles..... | Mileage... | Per Diem. | Total ... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Anchor | 980 | Roy A. Wright | 123 | $12 30 | $6 | $18 30 |
| Trowell | 981 | Gustav Kohn | 4 | 40 | 6 | 6 40 |
| Sincerity | 982 | | 7 | 70 | . | ..... |
| Glencoe | 983 | Harry W. Stannard | 18 | 1 80 | 6 | 7 80 |
| Emblem | 984 | Arthur I. Porges | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Universal | 985 | Carl J. Salomon | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Brotherhood | 986 | J. F. Rowley | 1 | 10 | . | 6 00 |
| Cyrene | 987 | R. A. Benson | 8 | 80 | 6 | 6 80 |
| Park Ridge | 988 | H. C. Hansen | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Hyde Park | 989 | Sol Rosenblatt | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Clover Leaf | 990 | Roscoe T. Clark | 215 | 21 50 | 6 | 27 50 |
| Welfare | 991 | John H. Kanitz | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Niagra | 992 | | 1 | 10 | . | ..... |
| Lyden | 993 | Bellett Lawson, Jr | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |
| True Blue | 994 | Chas. C. Smith | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Lawndale | 995 | Joseph T. Menarck | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Sunrise | 996 | C. H. Shell, Sr | 1 | 10 | 6 | 6 10 |
| Integrity | 997 | Charles G. Hendricks | 5 | 50 | 6 | 6 50 |
| Paul Revere | 998 | Herbert W. Raymond | 7 | 70 | 6 | 6 70 |
| Morgan Park | 999 | Willard J. Henry | 17 | 1 70 | 6 | 7 70 |
| Baylls | 1000 | W. R. Wilson | 258 | 25 80 | 6 | 31 80 |
| Wayfarers | 1001 | Geo. F. Tyson | 12 | 1 20 | 6 | 7 20 |
| Portage | 1002 | J. Fred Frey | 10 | 1 00 | 6 | 7 00 |

All of which is fraternally submitted,

W. F. BECK,
H. T. GODDARD,
T. S. BROWNING,
C. H. THOMPSON,
CHAS. J. SHAW,
*Committee.*

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## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME

*To the Chairman and Members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers of the Illinois Masonic Orphan's Home:*

DEAR BRETHREN:—I beg to submit herewith my second annual report as Superintendent of this Home.

The children are all well and healthy. We had during the spring and summer, a few cases of whooping cough and German measles, but in the entire year none of our children have been sick enough to be confined to their beds.

Teddy Beenke is still at the Sullivan Home receiving special treatment. Neva Harris, who at the time of my former report, was at the Home for Crippled Children receiving treatment for a badly crippled leg, is now at this Home and walks to school each morning without the aid of crutches. Her leg is perfectly straight, but it will be necessary to keep it in a cast until it has grown strong enough to retain its proper position unassisted. In the summer we had sixteen of the children operated on and their tonsils and adenoids removed. All made quick and perfect recoveries.

Through the kindness of Mr. Joseph Leiter in giving us the use of the ground, we again attempted gardening. This time with a fair degree of success. In addition to an abundance of radishes, lettuce, onions, peas, string beans, sweet corn, cucumbers and tomatoes during the season for all the children and employes, we had about thirty bushels of potatoes, our cooking school girls have canned seventy gallons of string beans and eight gallons of tomatoes and we are still canning the latter, and serving on our tables the fresh sweet corn, string beans and tomatoes. We have also put down twelve gallons of cucumber pickles and a quantity of corn relish. While our gardening was not an entire success, still it has saved a good many dollars and has furnished the children with quantities of excellent fresh vegetables they could not have enjoyed without the garden. All of the work in the garden, with the exception of the plowing, was done by the boys and girls.

During April and May an epidemic of German measles prevailed in this village and as some of our children acquired the malady, the entire membership was deprived of all public school privileges for a period of five weeks. Despite this handicap, by doing school work at Home, all the children excepting two succeeded in passing their grades. Two others were conditioned, but made up the work during the summer.

### ENTERTAINMENT.

During the year the children were entertained by the following masonic bodies:

Veritas Lodge at Glenwood Park.

Pleades Lodge at Glenwood Park.

Keystone Lodge at Riverside.

York Chapter R. A. M. on the Home grounds.

Equity Lodge on the Home grounds.

Standard Lodge on the Home grounds.

Old Glory Lodge presented us with two flags and entertained twice on the Home grounds.

Logan Square Chapter No. 560 O. E. S. (Martha Social Club) on the Home grounds.

Brother U. G. Hermann entertained the children at Ringling Bros. Circus and feasted them on chewing gum, cracker jack and peanuts.

Bros. E. J. Rogerson, George A. Baldwin, Herbert Rowe, Mrs. Henry Baker, and Dr. William Mullin, tickets to vaudeville at Town Hall.

In addition to the above all children free from demerits for the current month attend the movies each week.

Our system of self-government instituted just prior to making my former report, still continues. While, like all human governments, it is not perfect, it is so far above and beyond any other form, that the possibility of a change never occurs to us. The wonderful increase in self-control observable in the children is of untold value.

Permit me to direct your attention to the necessarily increased cost of maintaining this Home the coming year. Nearly everything required in this Home has increased in price from 25 to 150% while at the same time our membership is increasing and will in all probability continue to increase. Our present membership shows an increase of 11% over a year ago.

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP OF THE HOME

| Name | Admitted | Age | Now | Lodge | Location |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Andress, Cass C. A. | 9-16-17 | 5 | 5 | Concord No. 917 | Chicago |
| Ashley, Geo. | 10-25-13 | 5 | 9 | Alma No. 497 | Willisville |
| Ashley, Sara | 2- 8-12 | 6 | 11 | Alma No. 497 | Willisville |
| Backe, Duban E. | 10- 8-16 | 3 | 4 | Covenant No. 526 | Chicago |
| Backe, Winifred M. | 10- 8-16 | 4 | 5 | Covenant No. 526 | Chicago |
| Backe, Jarl C. | 10- 8-16 | 5 | 6 | Covenant No. 526 | Chicago |
| Beenke, Alburtus | 6-26-10 | 3 | 10 | Kensington No. 804 | Chicago |
| Beenke, Martin | 6-26-10 | 7 | 14 | Kensington No. 804 | Chicago |
| Beenke, Theodore | 4-14-12 | 3 | 8 | Kensington No. 804 | Chicago |
| Campbell, Robt. R. | 4-14-15 | 10 | 12 | Woodlawn Pk. No. 841 | Chicago |
| Campbell, Eliza. M. | 4-14-15 | 11 | 13 | Woodlawn Pk. No. 841 | Chicago |
| Campbell, Bruce D. | 4-14-15 | 5 | 7 | Woodlawn Pk. No. 841 | Chicago |
| Daniels, William A. | 11- 8-16 | 12 | 13 | Casey No. 442 | Casey |
| Daniels, Christine M. | 11- 8-16 | 6 | 7 | Casey No. 442 | Casey |
| Daniels, Vivian L. | 11- 8-16 | 4 | 5 | Casey No. 442 | Casey |
| Daniels, Catharine W. | 11- 8-16 | 8 | 8 | Casey No. 442 | Casey |
| DeYoung, Jessie G. | 9- 8-17 | 8 | 8 | Auburn Pk. No. 789 | Chicago |

| Name | Admitted | Age | Now | Lodge | Location |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DeYoung, Winifred I. | 9- 8-17 | 10 | 10 | Auburn Pk. No. 789 | Chicago |
| DeYoung, Norman J. | 9- 8-17 | 12 | 12 | Auburn Pk. No. 789 | Chicago |
| Downes, Thelma | 8-19-11 | 7 | 13 | Prairie No. 77 | Paris |
| Downes, Chas. F. | 8-19-11 | 4 | 10 | Prairie No. 77 | Paris |
| Douglas, Geo. E. | 7- 9-15 | 3 | 5 | Mt. Moriah No. 51 | Hillsboro |
| Douglas, Nellie T. | 8-25-13 | 6 | 10 | Mt. Moriah No. 51 | Hillsboro |
| Douglas, Stella | 8-25-13 | 3 | 7 | Mt. Moriah No. 51 | Hillsboro |
| Douglas, Chas. | 8-25-13 | 9 | 13 | Mt. Moriah No. 51 | Hillsboro |
| Freeman, Jesse | 1-27-12 | 6 | 12 | Shekina No. 241 | Carbondale |
| Freeman, Arthur L. | 1-27-12 | 3 | 8 | Shekina No. 241 | Carbondale |
| Fuetterer, Walt. G. | 5-28-13 | 6 | 10 | Pleiades No. 478 | Chicago |
| Fuetterer, Wm. L. | 5-28-13 | 4 | 9 | Pleiades No. 478 | Chicago |
| Funk, Chester R. | 1-14-17 | 12 | 12 | Exeter No. 424 | Exeter |
| Funk, Weir M. | 1-14-17 | 13 | 14 | Exeter No. 424 | Exeter |
| Hannan, Wm. H. J. | 1- 1-17 | 12 | 12 | St. Andrews No. 863 | Chicago |
| Hannan, Marella E. | 1- 1-17 | 8 | 9 | St. Andrews No. 863 | Chicago |
| Harley, John | 9-23-16 | 13 | 14 | Humbolt Pk. No. 813 | Chicago |
| Harris, Helen H. | 5-28-15 | 9 | 11 | Prairie City No. 578 | Montrose |
| Harris, Oscar N. | 5-28-15 | 8 | 10 | Prairie City No. 578 | Montrose |
| Harris, Neva M. | 5-28-15 | 4 | 7 | Prairie City No. 578 | Montrose |
| Harris, Hiram A. | 10-30-15 | 5 | 7 | DeSoto No. 287 | DeSoto |
| Heiss, Marcel M. | 6-30-16 | 7 | 8 | Kilwinning No. 311 | Chicago |
| Heiss, Edmund E. | 6-30-16 | 4 | 5 | Kilwinning No. 311 | Chicago |
| Heiss, LeRoy A. | 6-30-16 | 9 | 10 | Kilwinning No. 311 | Chicago |
| Holzman, Wm. J. | 9-19-15 | 6 | 8 | Waubansia No. 160 | Chicago |
| Hauk, Fred J. | 7- 2-17 | 5 | 5 | Mystic Lodge No. 758 | Chicago |
| Jones, Gladys N. | 10-22-14 | 11 | 13 | Arcana No. 717 | Chicago |
| Jones, Gertrude M. | 10-22-14 | 9 | 11 | Arcana No. 717 | Chicago |
| Kozisek, Frank | 5-23-17 | 10 | 10 | Arcana No. 717 | Chicago |
| Landau, David | 4-17-16 | 12 | 13 | Wright's Grove No. 779 | Chicago |
| Landau, Helen | 4-17-16 | 9 | 10 | Wright's Grove No. 779 | Chicago |
| MacNair, Ernest M. | 6-30-12 | 8 | 13 | Brighton Pk. No. 854 | Chicago |
| MacNair, Sophie | 6-30-12 | 7 | 12 | Brighton Pk. No. 854 | Chicago |
| MacNair, Stewart L. | 6-30-12 | 4 | 10 | Brighton Pk. No. 854 | Chicago |
| Marshall, Eliz. L. | 11-29-14 | 6 | 9 | Palace No. 765 | Pullman |
| Marshall, Edw. G. | 11-29-14 | 3 | 7 | Palace No. 765 | Pullman |
| Martinsen, Byron F. | 5- 1-11 | 5 | 12 | D. C. Cregier No. 643 | Chicago |
| Martinsen, Benford O. | 5- 1-11 | 3 | 10 | D. C. Cregier No. 643 | Chicago |
| Messner, Katharine M. | 9-15-12 | 7 | 12 | Accordia No. 277 | Chicago |
| Messner, Jos. F. | 5- 7-08 | 5 | 14 | Accordia No. 277 | Chicago |
| Moisand, Jennie | 4- 7-15 | 11 | 14 | Austin No. 850 | Chicago |
| Moisand, Adeline | 4- 7-15 | 9 | 12 | Austin No. 850 | Chicago |
| Moisand, Earl | 4- 7-15 | 7 | 9 | Austin No. 850 | Chicago |
| Moisand, Lester | 4-16-15 | 5 | 8 | Austin No. 850 | Chicago |
| Matteson, Theo G. | 11- 8-15 | 7 | 9 | Monmouth No. 37 | Monmouth |
| Nelson, Emily H. | 9-11-12 | 8 | 14 | Charleston No. 35 | Charleston |
| Nelson, Irma L. | 9-11-12 | 7 | 12 | Charleston No. 35 | Charleston |
| Norris, Evelyn M. | 5-20-09 | 7 | 15 | Composite No. 879 | Chicago |
| Norris, Wm. H. | 5- 6-09 | 4 | 13 | Composite No. 879 | Chicago |
| Older, Wm. F. | 10-16-16 | 10 | 11 | Banner Blue No. 924 | Chicago |
| Older, John W. | 10-16-16 | 8 | 9 | Banner Blue No. 924 | Chicago |
| Older, Geo. E. | 10-16-16 | 3 | 4 | Banner Blue No. 924 | Chicago |
| Palmer, Edw. W. | 8-19-14 | 8 | 12 | Ashlar No. 308 | Chicago |
| Palmer, Edith | 8-19-14 | 7 | 10 | Ashlar No. 308 | Chicago |
| Palmer, Glenn O. | 8-19-14 | 5 | 8 | Ashlar No. 308 | Chicago |
| Pieritz, Wm. J. | 11-11-11 | 5 | 11 | Home No. 508 | Chicago |
| Pirrmann, Wm. F. | 5-22-17 | 5 | 6 | Libertyville No. 492 | Libertyville |
| Quirk, Wm. F. | 10- 7-12 | 8 | 13 | Metropolitan No. 860 | Chicago |
| Quirk, Harold V. | 10- 7-12 | 4 | 10 | Metropolitan No. 860 | Chicago |
| Roberts, Constance E. | 11-18-14 | 9 | 12 | St. Andrews No. 863 | Chicago |
| Rowley, Ralph S. | 5-12-17 | 6 | 6 | Concord No. 917 | Chicago |
| Rowley, Richard C. | 7- 5-17 | 3 | 4 | Concord No. 917 | Chicago |
| Rowley, Harold A. | 5-12-17 | 9 | 9 | Concord No. 917 | Chicago |
| Ruhle, Harry | 6-24-17 | 8 | 8 | Cleveland No. 211 | Chicago |
| Ruhle, Pauline | 9-14-10 | 5 | 12 | Cleveland No. 211 | Chicago |
| Schellenger, Harry H. | 6-23-14 | 4 | 7 | Alma No. 497 | Willisville |
| Schellenger, Ruth E. | 6-23-14 | 8 | 10 | Alma No. 497 | Willisville |
| Schellenger, Eliz. O. | 6-23-14 | 11 | 14 | Alma No. 497 | Willisville |

| Name | Admitted | Age | Now | Lodge | Location |
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| Smith, Lloyd J. | 4- 2-15 | 4 | 7 | Bridgeport No. 386. | Bridgeport |
| Smith, Lawrence E. | 4- 2-15 | 4 | 7 | Bridgeport No. 386. | Bridgeport |
| Smith, Lewis E. | 4- 2-15 | 7 | 10 | Bridgeport No. 386. | Bridgeport |
| Stolte, Paul | 1- 7-17 | 7 | 7 | Concord No. 917. | Chicago |
| Stolte, Carl | 1- 7-17 | 9 | 9 | Concord No. 917. | Chicago |
| Strecker, Inez L. | 9-27-16 | 10 | 11 | D. C. Cregier No. 643. | Chicago |
| Strecker, Werner C. | 9-27-16 | 8 | 9 | D. C. Cregier No. 643. | Chicago |
| Thuma, Myrtle E. | 8-12-17 | 5 | 5 | Arcana No. 717. | Chicago |
| Thuma, Wm. A. | 5- 3-17 | 9 | 10 | Arcana No. 717. | Chicago |
| Thuma, Robt. G. | 5- 3-17 | 7 | 7 | Arcana No. 717. | Chicago |
| Willard, Edw. G. | 9-28-12 | 9 | 14 | Roseville No. 519. | Roseville |
| Wright, Pearl D. | 9- 1-16 | 10 | 11 | Lawn No. 815. | Chicago |
| Wright, Mary L. | 9- 1-16 | 8 | 9 | Lawn No. 815. | Chicago |
| Wright, Olive F. | 9- 1-16 | 3 | 4 | Lawn No. 815. | Chicago |

## CHILDREN ADMITTED SINCE LAST REPORT

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| Andress, Cass C. A. | 9-16-17 | 5 | 5 | Concord No. 917. | Chicago |
| Backe, Duban E. | 10-18-16 | 3 | 4 | Covenant No. 526. | Chicago |
| Backe, Winifred M. | 10-18-16 | 4 | 5 | Covenant No. 526. | Chicago |
| Backe, Jarl C. | 10-18-16 | 5 | 6 | Covenant No. 526. | Chicago |
| Banning, Walker, Jr. | 3- 8-17 | 12 | 13 | Garden City No. 141. | Chicago |
| Daniels, Wm. A. | 11- 8-16 | 12 | 13 | Casey No. 442. | Casey |
| Daniels, Christine M. | 11- 8-16 | 6 | 7 | Casey No. 442. | Casey |
| Daniels, Vivian L. | 11- 8-16 | 4 | 4 | Casey No. 442. | Casey |
| Daniels, Catharine W. | 11- 8-16 | 7 | 8 | Casey No. 442. | Casey |
| DeYoung, Jessie G. | 9- 8-16 | 8 | 8 | Auburn Pk. No. 789. | Chicago |
| DeYoung, Winifred I. | 9- 8-16 | 10 | 10 | Auburn Pk. No. 789. | Chicago |
| DeYoung, Norman J. | 9- 8-16 | 12 | 12 | Auburn Pk. No. 789. | Chicago |
| Funk, Chester R. | 1-14-17 | 12 | 12 | Exeter No. 424. | Exeter |
| Funk, Wier M. | 1-14-17 | 13 | 14 | Exeter No. 424. | Exeter |
| Geiss, Raldo J. | 10- 1-17 | 12 | 12 | Maywood No. 869. | Maywood |
| Hannan, Wm. H. J. | 1- 1-17 | 12 | 12 | St. Andrews No. 863. | Chicago |
| Hannan, Marella E. | 1- 1-17 | 8 | 9 | St. Andrews No. 863. | Chicago |
| Hauk, Fred. J. | 7- 2-17 | 5 | 5 | Mystic No. 758. | Chicago |
| Kozisek, Frank | 5-23-17 | 10 | 10 | Arcana No. 717. | Chicago |
| Older, Wm. F. | 10-16-16 | 10 | 11 | Banner Blue No. 924. | Chicago |
| Older, John W. | 10-16-16 | 8 | 9 | Banner Blue No. 924. | Chicago |
| Older, Geo. E. | 10-16-16 | 3 | 4 | Banner Blue No. 924. | Chicago |
| Pirrman, Wm. F. | 5-22-17 | 5 | 6 | Libertyville No. 492. | Libertyville |
| Rowley, Ralph S. | 5-12-17 | 6 | 6 | Concord No. 917. | Chicago |
| Rowley, Richard C. | 7- 5-17 | 3 | 4 | Concord No. 917. | Chicago |
| Rowley, Harold A. | 5-12-17 | 9 | 9 | Concord No. 917. | Chicago |
| Ruhle, Harry | 6-24-17 | 8 | 8 | Cleveland No. 211. | Chicago |
| Stolte, Paul | 1-17-17 | 7 | 7 | Concord No. 917. | Chicago |
| Stolte, Carl | 1-17-17 | 9 | 9 | Concord No. 917. | Chicago |
| Thuma, Myrtle E. | 8-12-17 | 5 | 5 | Arcana No. 717. | Chicago |
| Thuma, Wm. A. | 5- 3-17 | 9 | 10 | Arcana No. 717. | Chicago |
| Thuma, Robt. G. | 5- 3-17 | 7 | 7 | Arcana No. 717. | Chicago |

## CHILDREN DISCHARGED SINCE LAST REPORT

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|---|---|---|---|
| Ashley, Marie D. | 12-27-16 | Banning, Walker, Jr. | 8-29-17 |
| Beenke, Johan | 11-21-16 | Geiss, Raldo J. | 10-12-16 |
| Giseke, John J. | 6-17-17 | Giseke, August | 6-29-17 |
| Giseke, Bernard | 6-29-17 | Goggin, Frank | 3-13-17 |
| Holzman, Harold F. | 2-17-17 | Kolb, Mary R. | 8-12-17 |
| Miller, Clyde R. | 2- 1-17 | Miller, Clementine | 2- 1-17 |
| Miller, Ruth A. | 2- 1-17 | Miller, Garnet | 7-12 17 |
| Pride, Roy M. | 12- 2-16 | Rhydderch, Dorothy | 7-28-17 |
| Rhydderch, David A. | 7-28-17 | Ruhle, Albert G. | 7-28-17 |
| Stevens, Loren S. | 7- 1-17 | Shanks, Harold E. | 8- 2-17 |
| Thomer, John C. | 6-15-17 | VanAdslen, Wm. M. | 8-24-17 |

CAUSE FOR DISCHARGE.

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| Age Limit | 5 |
| Adopted | 5 |
| Relatives able to provide | 12 |
| | 22 |

RECAPITULATION OF MEMBERSHIP.

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| Membership Sept. 30th, 1916 | 89 |
| Admitted since last report | 32 |
| | 121 |
| Discharged since last report | 22 |
| Membership Sept. 30th, 1917 | 99 |
| Gain during year | 10 |
| Highest population during year | 103 |

ENTERTAINMENT FUND RECEIPTS.

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| Oct. | 1, 1916 | Cash Balance | $1048.77 |
| Oct. | 26, 1916 | E. H. Thomas | 30.40 |
| Nov. | 15, 1916 | Wilmette Lodge No. 931 | 25.00 |
| Nov. | 21, 1916 | Mizpah Aid Society | 10.00 |
| Nov. | 29, 1916 | Thos. J. Turner Lodge No. 409 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 2, 1916 | Metropolitan Lodge No. 860 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 4, 1916 | Composite Lodge No. 879 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 4, 1916 | Havana Chapter R. A. M. No. 86 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 5, 1916 | Standard Lodge No. 873 | 33.40 |
| Dec. | 5, 1916 | Beacon Light Lodge No. 784 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 5, 1916 | Providence Lodge No. 711 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 5, 1916 | Brotherhood Lodge No. 986 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 6, 1916 | Austin Commandery No. 84 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 6, 1916 | Lake View Lodge No. 774 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 6, 1916 | Cairo Chapter R. A. M. No. 71 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 6, 1916 | Candida Lodge No. 927 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 6, 1916 | Lincoln Pk. Chap. R. A. M. No. 177 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 6, 1916 | Kankakee Lodge No. 389 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 8, 1916 | LaGrange Lodge No. 770 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 8, 1916 | Maroa Lodge No. 454 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 9, 1916 | Cleveland Lodge No. 211 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 9, 1916 | Kilwinning Lodge No. 311 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 9, 1916 | Banner Blue Lodge No. 924 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 10, 1916 | Oak Park Council No. 93 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 11, 1916 | Columbian Lodge No. 819 | 15.00 |

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| Dec. | 11, 1916 | Crossman Chapter R. A. M. No. 155 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 11, 1916 | William McKinley Lodge No. 876 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 11, 1916 | Fides Lodge No. 842 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 11, 1916 | Welcome Lodge No. 916 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 11, 1916 | Constellation Lodge No. 892 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 12, 1916 | Trowel Lodge No. 981 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 12, 1916 | Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 51 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 12, 1916 | A. O. Fay Lodge No. 676 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 12, 1916 | Marine Lodge No. 355 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 12, 1916 | Exemplar Lodge No. 966 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 12, 1916 | Boulevard Lodge No. 382 | 50.00 |
| Dec. | 12, 1916 | Veritas Lodge No. 926 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 12, 1916 | Greenville Lodge No. 245 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | Pleiades No. 478 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | Justice Lodge No. 949 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | Delavan Lodge No. 156 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | Havana Lodge No. 88 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | Avondale Lodge No. 921 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | Mizpah Lodge No. 768 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | Harvard Lodge No. 309 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | LaGrange Chapter R. A. M. No. 287 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 13, 1916 | Olive Branch Lodge No. 38 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 14, 1916 | Auburn Park Chapter R. A. M. No. 201 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 14, 1916 | Wrights Grove Lodge No. 779 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 15, 1916 | Union Park Lodge No. 610 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 15, 1916 | Jacob Reterer | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 15, 1916 | Fortitude Lodge U. D. | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 15, 1916 | Blair Lodge No. 393 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 15, 1916 | Kankakee Chapter R. A. M. No. 78 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 15, 1916 | Chicago Chapter No. 161 O. E. S. | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 15, 1916 | Compass Lodge No. 922 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 15, 1916 | Granite City Lodge No. 877 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 16, 1916 | E. J. Cowling 50th Disct. | 12.50 |
| Dec. | 16, 1916 | Welfare Lodge No. 991 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 16, 1916 | York Chapter R. A. M. No. 148 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 16, 1916 | Austin Lodge No. 850 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 16, 1916 | Accordia Lodge No. 277 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 16, 1916 | Sunshine Chapter 683 O. E. S. | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Millard Chapter 349 O. E. S. | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Kosmos Lodge No. 896 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Mendota Lodge No. 176 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Lawndale Lodge No. 995 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Pullman Chapter R. A. M. No. 204 | 10.00 |

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| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Bohemia Lodge No. 943 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Washington Park Lodge No. 936 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Lawn Chapter R. A. M. No. 205 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Home Lodge No. 508 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Excelsior Lodge No. 97 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | William B. Warren Lodge No. 209 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Fellowship Club | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Lakeside Lodge No. 739 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 18, 1916 | Golden Rod Chapter 205 O. E .S. | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 19, 1916 | Hesperia Lodge No. 411 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 19, 1916 | Circle Lodge No. 938 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 19, 1916 | America Lodge No. 889 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 19, 1916 | Prudence Lodge No. 958 | 35.00 |
| Dec. | 19, 1916 | Prague Chapter No. 749 O. E. S. | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Kensington Lodge No. 804 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Sincerity Lodge No. 982 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Edward Dobbins Lodge No. 164 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Equity Lodge No. 878 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Oak Park Chapter No. 539 O. E. S. | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Columbia Commandery No. 63 K. T. | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Chester Lodge No. 72 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Crescent Lodge No. 895 | 35.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | Cairo Lodge No. 237 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | E. H. Arnet | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | True Blue Lodge No. 994 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 21, 1916 | Ben Franklin Lodge No. 962 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 21, 1916 | D. C. Cregier Lodge No. 643 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 21, 1916 | Old Glory Lodge No. 975 | 30.50 |
| Dec. | 21, 1916 | Metropolis Lodge No. 91 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 21, 1916 | Paris Lodge No. 268 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 21, 1916 | East Moline Lodge No. 969, Zal Grotto | 20.13 |
| Dec. | 21, 1916 | Louis Sternberg | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Appolo Commandery No. 1 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Charleston Lodge No. 35 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Cornerstone Lodge No. 875 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Arcana Lodge No. 717 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Keystone Lodge No. 639 | 50.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Highland Pk. Chapter R. A. M. No. 226 | 20.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Antioch Lodge No. 127 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Edgewater Lodge No. 901 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Ben Hur Chapter No. 401 O. E. S. | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Golden Rule Lodge No. 726 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Cicero Chapter R. A. M. No. 180 | 25.00 |

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| Dec. | 23, 1916 | Canton Chapter R. A. M. No. 68 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 23, 1916 | St. Clair Council R. S. M. No. 61 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 23, 1916 | Murphysboro Lodge No. 498 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 23, 1916 | Masons of Murphysboro | 4.70 |
| Dec. | 23, 1916 | Equality Chapter No. 770 O. E. S. | 11.69 |
| Dec. | 24, 1916 | Oak Park Lodge No. 540 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 24, 1916 | Integrity Lodge U. D. | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 24, 1916 | Master Richard T. Kropf | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 24, 1916 | Elgin Chapter No. 212 O. E. S. | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | King Oscar Chapter No. 762 O. E. S. | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Germania Lodge No. 182 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Waubansia Lodge No. 160 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Emblem Lodge No. 984 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Chicago Lodge No. 437 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Progressive Lodge No. 954 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Prassa Lodge No. 27 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Garden City Lodge No. 141 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Bethany Commandery No. 28 K. T. | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 25, 1916 | Mendota Chapter R. A. M. No. 79 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 26, 1916 | King Oscar Lodge No. 855 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 26, 1916 | East St. Louis Lodge No. 504 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 26, 1916 | Bee Hive Lodge No. 909 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 26, 1916 | Lawn Lodge No. 815 | 5.00 |
| Dec. | 27, 1916 | Gothic Lodge No. 852 | 10.00 |
| Dec. | 27, 1916 | Brighton Park Lodge No. 854 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 28, 1916 | John Corson Smith Lodge No. 944 | 15.00 |
| Dec. | 28, 1916 | East Gate Lodge No. 923 | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 30, 1916 | St. Andrews Lodge No. 863 | 10.00 |
| Jan. | 2, 1917 | St. Cecelia Lodge No. 865 | 10.00 |
| Jan. | 2, 1917 | Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907 | 50.00 |
| Jan. | 4, 1917 | Shabbona Lodge No. 374 | 5.00 |
| Jan. | 4, 1917 | Prospect Lodge No. 957 | 10.00 |
| Jan. | 5, 1917 | Park Lodge No. 843 | 25.00 |
| Jan. | 5, 1917 | St. Marks Lodge No. 63 | 10.00 |
| Jan. | 7, 1917 | Sunshine Club, Universal Lodge | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 9, 1917 | Oriental Consistory | 25.00 |
| Jan. | 12, 1917 | Evanston Chapter R. A. M. No. 144 | 10.00 |
| Jan. | 13, 1917 | Alice Chapter No. 561 O. E. S. | 25.00 |
| Jan. | 19, 1917 | Kendall Lodge No. 471 | 10.00 |
| Jan. | 24, 1917 | LaFayette Chapter R. A. M. No. 2 | 25.00 |
| Feb. | 7, 1917 | East St. Louis Commandery No. 81 | 5.00 |
| Feb. | 20, 1917 | Park Manor Lodge No. 899 | 25.00 |
| Feb. | 28, 1917 | Cedar Lodge No. 124 | 50.00 |

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| April 2, 1917 | Int. on $4000 bonds | 160.00 |
| April 17, 1917 | Lake View Lodge No. 774 | 18.00 |
| May 26, 1917 | Jubilee Class, Oriental Consistory | 100.00 |
| June 18, 1917 | Cicero Lodge No. 955 | 44.00 |
| July 15, 1917 | George Mildrum | 50.00 |
| Aug. 6, 1917 | Robt. S. Webb, Harbor Lodge No. 731 | 9.30 |
| Aug. 6, 1917 | Republic Lodge No. 914 | 5.00 |
| Sept. 25, 1917 | Interest on $2000.00 bonds | 45.00 |
| | Total | $3833.39 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| Oct. 1, 1916, Cash Balance | | $1048.77 |
| Received from Cook County Lodges | | 1540.90 |
| Received from Cook County Chapters | | 175.00 |
| Received from Cook County Commanderies | | 30.00 |
| Received from Lodges outside Cook County | | 325.13 |
| Received from Chapters outside Cook County | | 65.00 |
| Received from Commanderies outside Cook County | | 15.00 |
| Received from Eastern Star Chapters | | 131.69 |
| Received from Oriental Consistory | | 25.00 |
| Received from Individuals and other sources | | 476.90 |
| | | $3833.39 |
| Disbursements as per receipts | $ 992.40 | |
| School Bonds Nos. 34 and 36 Dewitt Co. | 2045.40 | |
| Liberty Loan bond | 300.00 | $3337.80 |
| Sept. 30, 1917, Cash Balance | | $ 495.59 |

GIFTS AND DONATIONS.

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| Oct. 5, 1916 | Bro. Edwin H. Uhl, 100 Victrola records. |
| Oct. 21, 1916 | Old Glory Lodge, new flag, candy and toys. |
| Nov. 3, 1916 | Lady Washington Chapter O. E. S. cakes and grapes. |
| Nov. 4, 1916 | York Chapter, check for $46.80 for dancing lessons. |
| Nov. 5, 1916 | Composite Lodge No. 879, five gallons ice cream. |
| Nov. 11, 1916 | Bro. Lee Bonheim, quantity of drugs. |
| Dec. 3, 1916 | Mrs. Sarah Jackson Farr, Minneapolis, candy. |
| Dec. 9, 1916 | Woolworth 5 and 10c store, 100 pounds candy. |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Banner Blue Lodge, 150 paper hats. |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | Theodore Gottman and Sons, 150 pounds candy. |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Mrs. Marks, 100 fancy cookies. |

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| Dec. 20, 1916 | Lincoln Park Lodge No. 611, four crates of dolls and toys. |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Waubansia Lodge No. 160, one hundred pounds marshmallow. |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Banner Blue Lodge, 3 overcoats. |
| Dec. 23, 1916 | Mt. Joliet Lodge No. 42, present for each child in Home. |
| Dec. 23, 1916 | Bro. Lee Bonheim, 100 boxes of choice fruits. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | The Extra Girls, presents for 21 children. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Austin Star Club, Christmas stockings, toys, etc., for each child in the Home. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Peerless Chapter O. E. S., barrel apples, 25 pounds candies. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Bro. and Mrs. F. G. Waiss, ½ pound box candy for each child. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Bro. and Mrs. C. E. Holmes, box apples. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith, barrel apples. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Arcana Lodge No. 717, 100 pound prize checker confection. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Bro. Geo. Moore, Ashlar Lodge, 100 cookies, box candy. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Bro. E. Shurhammer, box of ten games. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Bro. Fred N. Chamberlain, 5 gallons ice cream. |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Martha Club, Logan Sq. Chap. O. E. S., case cracker jack. |
| Dec. 29, 1916 | Hyde Park Chapter O. E. S., 2 handkerchiefs and candy for each child. |
| Jan. 3, 1917 | 6 boxes black stockings, 3 doz. dolls, 13 boxes candy, misc. toys, mittens, etc. Donor unknown. |
| Jan. 4, 1917 | Sincerity Lodge No. 982, box candy, fruit, toys, etc. |
| Jan. 4, 1917 | Bros. Henry Webber, Hesperia No. 411, John A. Berg, Kilwinning No. 311 and A. J. Steinberg, Metropolitan No. 860, box of oranges and box of apples. |
| Feb. 20, 1917 | Mayer Bros., two doz. games. |
| Feb. 23, 1917 | Bro. Lee Bonheim, $10.00 assortment of drugs. |
| April 21, 1917 | Masonic Hospital Assn., 18 cotton flannel petticoats, 2 gingham aprons. |
| June 4, 1917 | C. E. Small, Libertyville, 50 pounds pieplant. |
| June 10, 1917 | Old Glory Lodge No. 975, new flag, balls, bats, candy, etc. |
| June 10, 1917 | Bro. L. Simon, Keystone Lodge, ice cream for all. |
| June 17, 1917 | Standard Lodge No. 873, apples and oranges. |
| June 21, 1917 | Bro. Geo. F. Schroeder, Standard No. 873, gal. liquid shampoo for the girls. |
| July 4, 1917 | Bro. Fred Chamberlain, 5 gal. ice cream. |
| July 6, 1917 | Bro. Lee Bonheim, 2 crates cherries. |
| July 8, 1917 | Equity Lodge No. 878, crackerjack, chocolates and auto ride for all. |
| July 30, 1917 | Bro. Way, Victrola records. |

Aug. 4, 1917 Bros. Geo. Mildrum and Oscar Wolf, two beautiful mounted heads. One a deer and the other a Rocky Mountain sheep.

Aug. 5, 1917 Bros. Curwin, Gunter, Burnham, E. W. and C. A. Rohde of Lakeview Lodge No. 774, 50 pounds candy.

Aug. 5, 1917 Bro. Carl S. Burkland, North Shore No. 937, 3 doz. wool undershirts and children's slips.

### Visitors.

It is extremely gratifying to note the great increase in the number of visitors during the past year.

### Statement of Maintenance Account.

Under the new system of accounting installed at the commencement of the Masonic year Oct. 1, 1916, the entire of the Maintenance Fund was disbursed by the superintendent, no portion being handled through the secretary's office, so that the following account shows all expenditures from the Maintenance Fund.

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| Clothing | $ 1828.90 |
| Fuel | 4164.49 |
| Garden | 13.37 |
| Home Furnishings | 729.34 |
| Improvements | 630.76 |
| Insurance | 252.84 |
| Labor | 778.57 |
| Laundry | 492.14 |
| Light and Power | 513.59 |
| Medical | 675.86 |
| Printing, Stationery and Postage | 137.95 |
| Provisions | 7466.50 |
| Repairs | 1111.39 |
| Salaries | 6057.55 |
| School | 298.48 |
| Misc. Household Expense | 444.18 |
| Telephone | 79.46 |
| Traveling Expense | 186.21 |
| Water | 443.30 |
| | $26304.88 |
| Less Discount taken | 84.93 |
| | $26219.95 |

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| Cash on hand last report | $ 243.05 |
| Received for Maintenance Fund | 26000.00 |
| | $26243.05 |
| Disbursements since last report | $26219.95 |
| Cash on hand Sept. 30, 1917 | $ 23.10 |

In conclusion I wish to say, that my prediction as to the effect of a continuance of the Domestic Science Course this summer and the opening of a summer Manual Training Course, has been more than fulfilled. The point of greatest interest, the center of attraction for these boys and girls has been the manual training and domestic science rooms. With the child as with the adult, it is the idle, seeking diversion or amusement that need the restraint of rules and laws. So potent a factor for good is the concentration of the whole mind and energy of the child upon some useful, fascinating occupation that but one instance of an infraction of a rule occurred among those engaged in this work during the entire of the eight weeks these courses continued.

It is extremely unfortunate that the only room available for manual training is utterly inadequate. It furnishes cramped, congested quarters for but one-half of the boys of suitable age and temperament. The other half are necessarily deprived of any opportunity of participating in its benefits, and the same is true of the cooking department of the Domestic Science Course.

I hope that in the near future suitable, adequate rooms may be provided for these activities, for in all our work there is nothing that compares with these courses in beneficial results. The work accomplished by the children in these courses is an unanswerable argument in favor of their continuance and enlargement.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. L. HILLIKER,
*Superintendent.*

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME

*To the Chairman and Members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers of the Illinois Masonic Home:*

DEAR BRETHREN:—I beg to submit herewith my annual report as superintendent.

APPLICATIONS PENDING AT SULLIVAN OCTOBER 1, 1916.

| App. No. | Name | Lodge | No. | Location | Action |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 316 | David M. Harvey | New Haven | 230 | New Haven | Withdrawn |
| 416 | Mary R. Grout | Garden City | 141 | Chicago | Withdrawn |
| 430 | Henry Reasor | Clark | 603 | Martinsville | Applicant died |
| 443 | Calvin Wheeler | Greenfield | 129 | Greenfield | Pending |
| 459 | Elishama Beaty | Noble | 362 | Noble | Withdrawn |
| 466 | John F. Peterson | Altona | 330 | Altona | Withdrawn |
| 467 | John F. Miller | Bluffs | 846 | Bluffs | Approved |
| 477 | Elizabeth R. Craig | Iola | 691 | Iola | Approved |
| 482 | Henry M. Hurst | Marshall | 133 | Marshall | Rejected |
| 486 | Strother G. Barbee | Effingham | 149 | Effingham | Approved |
| 490 | A. C. Hollis | Temple | 46 | Peoria | Rejected |
| 493 | Marion Pickett | Dearborn | 310 | Chicago | Approved did not come |
| 494 | James E. Whitbread | Gothic | 852 | E. St. Louis | Rejected |
| 495 | Frederick R. Franson | Kenwood | 800 | Chicago | Approved Did not come |
| 496 | Olga Franson | Kenwood | 800 | Chicago | Approved Did not come |
| 497 | Frederick Franson | Kenwood | 800 | Chicago | Approved Did not come |
| 498 | Arthur Franson | Kenwood | 800 | Chicago | Approved did not come |

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1916.

| No. | Name | Lodge | No. | Location | Action |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 499 | Mary A. Thomson | Lake View | 774 | Chicago | Withdrawn |
| 500 | Aurelia Hughey | Mt. Carmel | 239 | Mt. Carmel | Rejected |
| 501 | Joseph Paul Smith | Free Will | 872 | Oakwood | Approved |
| 502 | Harriet Pearsall | Lodge defunct | Hinsdale | | Approved |
| 503 | Leslie H. Miller | No. lodge | | | Approved |
| 504 | John Henry Alexander | Richmond | 143 | Richmond | Rejected |
| 505 | Nicholas Deutscher | Blair | 393 | Chicago | Rejected |
| 506 | Robert M. Young | Sidell | 798 | Sidell | Applicant died |
| 507 | Herman Henry Gerts | Ben Hur | 818 | Chicago | Rejected |
| 508 | Mary R. Grout | Garden City | 141 | Chicago | Approved |
| 509 | Lewis M. Uhl | Cerro Gordo | 600 | Cerro Gordo | Approved conditionally |
| 510 | Frank P. McKeon | Hesperia | 411 | Chicago | Pending |
| 511 | Mary Hitchcock | Garfield | 686 | Chicago | Approved |
| 512 | J. E. Gowenlock | Mt. Vernon | 31 | Mt. Vernon | Approved |
| 513 | Haley L. M. White | Lerna | 788 | Lerna | Approved |
| 514 | Emily Jane Van Buskirk | No lodge | | | Rejected |
| 515 | Luke Funk | Exeter | 424 | Exeter | Approved |
| 516 | Mrs. S. B. Cobb | Lincoln Park | 611 | Chicago | Withdrawn |
| 517 | Lemuel Lemmel | Home Lodge | 508 | Chicago | Withdrawn |
| 518 | Ernest L. Heim, Sr. | Constellation | 892 | Chicago | Rejected |
| 519 | Mollie A. Walder | Cairo | 237 | Cairo | Approved |
| 520 | Simon Wilnau | Humboldt Park | 813 | Chicago | Approved |
| 521 | Mary M. Kirk | Loami | 450 | Loami App. | did not come |
| 522 | Geo. W. Rand | Excelsior | 97 | Freeport | Approved |
| 523 | Elizabeth H. Wade | Belle Rive | 696 | Belle Rive | Approved |
| 524 | Julian E. Wells | Maroa | 454 | Maroa | Approved |

| No. | Name | Lodge | No. | Location | Action |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 525 | Edna A. Larson | Wrights Grove | 779 | Chicago | Rejected |
| 526 | Rosa Electa Holden | Cleveland | 211 | Chicago | App. Died |
| 527 | Theodore H. Elmer | Ashlar | 308 | Chicago | Approved |
| 528 | Thomas Cunningham | D. C. Creiger | 643 | Chicago | Approved did not come |
| 529 | Wallace Bedell | Triple | 835 | Granite City | Rejected |
| 530 | Geo. W. Reese | Cleveland | 211 | Chicago | Rejected |
| 531 | George W. Shaw | Mattoon | 260 | Mattoon | Approved |
| 532 | Justina C. Wheeler | Blue Mound | 682 | Blue Mound | Pending |
| 533 | James Paulson Ryan | Granite City | 877 | Granite City | Approved |
| 534 | Fannie H. Roberts | Olive Branch | 38 | Danville | Withdrawn |
| 535 | Dr. Elijah A. Morgan | Ionic | 312 | Decatur | Approved |
| 536 | Elizabeth Bennett | Cleveland | 211 | Chicago | Approved |
| 537 | Samuel G. Champlain | Belvidere | 60 | Belvidere | Rejected |
| 538 | Dennis R. Talbert | Golden Rule | 726 | Chicago | Approved |
| 539 | Henry James Barker | Fides | 842 | Chicago | Approved |
| 540 | Harriet Barker | Fides | 842 | Chicago | Approved |
| 541 | John Tollifson | Cleveland | 211 | Chicago | Pending |
| 542 | Adam Bell | Matteson | 175 | Joliet | Approved |
| 543 | John E. Boudinot | Olive Branch | 38 | Danville | Approved |
| 544 | James Davis | J. L. Anderson | 318 | Augusta | Approved |
| 545 | Augustus B. Slater | Woodlawn Park | 841 | Chicago | Approved |
| 546 | Napoleon B. Gray | Blair | 393 | Chicago | Pending |
| 547 | Myra Lucinda Gray | Blair | 393 | Chicago | Pending |
| 548 | F. C. Schumaker | Constantia | 783 | Chicago | Approved |
| 549 | John Lawrence Saunders | Triluminar | 767 | Chicago | Pending |
| 550 | Alfred John Morrison | Sangamon | 80 | Fisher | Pending |
| 551 | Charles E. Kelsey | Belvidere | 60 | Belvidere | Approved |
| 552 | Hiram S. Capps | Villa Grove | 885 | Villa Grove | Pending |
| 553 | Harry Evans | Noble | 362 | Noble | Pending |
| 554 | Robt. J. T. White | Star in the East | 166 | Rockford | Pending |
| 555 | Anthony Frank Cassin | Western Star | 240 | Champaign | Pending |
| 556 | Orlando W. Fisher | Bromwell | 451 | Assumption | Rejected |
| 557 | Fred A. Bisset | South Park | 662 | Chicago | Pending |
| 399 | Mary L. Jarboe | Kansas | 280 | Kansas | Re-admitted |

APPLICATIONS.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Pending October 1, 1916 | 17 | Approved | 39 |
| Received during year | 59 | Rejected | 14 |
| Reconsidered | 1 | Withdrawn | 8 |
| | | Re-admitted | 1 |
| | | No Action | 2 |
| | | Pending | 13 |
| Total | 77 | Total | 77 |

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP (MEN)

| Name | Date Admitted | Age | Lodge No. | Location |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Adam, Ernest | Sept. 3, 1908 | 85 | Herman, 39 | Quincy |
| Anderson, Nels | Sept. 12, 1908 | 87 | Lakeside, 739 | Chicago |
| Baker, Edward N. | May 18, 1909 | 79 | Wade Barney, 512 | Bloomington |
| Ballou, Charles W. | July 5, 1916 | 82 | Freedom, 194 | Freedom |
| Banvard, Benjamin M. | Aug. 5, 1915 | 68 | Peoria, 15 | Peoria |
| Barbee, Strother G. | Feb. 19, 1917 | 75 | Effingham, 149 | Effingham |
| Barker, Henry J. | June 30, 1917 | 67 | Fides, 842 | Chicago |
| Bell, Adam | June 15, 1917 | 68 | Matteson, 175 | Joliet |
| Benjamin, Lyman S. | July 12, 1915 | 73 | Dearborn, 310 | Chicago |
| Berhaupt, Louis | May 17, 1913 | 82 | Pacific, 66 | Knoxville |
| Boudinot, John E. | June 15, 1917 | 44 | Olive Branch, 38 | Danville |
| Brooks, Martin | Sept. 8, 1915 | 81 | Hardin, 44 | Mt. Sterling |
| Buchanan, Lewis C. | Dec. 20, 1915 | 55 | Edward Dobbins, 164 | Lawrenceville |
| Carpenter, Hiram H. | Dec. 29, 1904 | 95 | Oriental, 33 | Chicago |
| Cobiskey, Chas. | April 13, 1914 | 68 | Palatine, 314 | Palatine |
| Detrick, William C. | Oct. 27, 1915 | 73 | Belvidere, 60 | Belvidere |

| Name | Date Admitted | Age | Lodge No. | Location |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dickson, Lawson J. | Aug. 15, 1913 | 79 | Raymond, 692 | Raymond |
| Dodd, Richard | Jan. 17, 1916 | 88 | Sumner, 334 | Sumner |
| Earl, Charles W. | Jan. 4, 1915 | 60 | Arcana, 717 | Chicago |
| Elmer, Theodore H. | April 8, 1917 | 73 | Ashlar, 308 | Chicago |
| Fowler, William E. | Aug. 9, 1915 | 48 | Olive Branch, 38 | Danville |
| Frahlick, Jacob | Dec. 18, 1915 | 75 | Waldeck, 674 | Chicago |
| Gowenlock, James E. | Jan. 7, 1917 | 62 | Mt. Vernon, 31 | Mt. Vernon |
| Green, Geo. W. | July 23, 1915 | 73 | Wade Barney, 512 | Bloomington |
| Hammonds, William A. | Jan. 21, 1916 | 68 | La Fayette, 657 | Grand Tower |
| Hodgkin, William | Aug. 19, 1915 | 89 | Lambert, 659 | Quincy |
| Holder, William H. | Aug. 5, 1914 | 84 | Richard Cole, 697 | Chicago |
| Hoover, James W. | June 27, 1906 | 69 | Greenup, 125 | Greenup |
| Hostetler, Virgil N. | Aug. 20, 1915 | 60 | Ionic, 312 | Decatur |
| Hyndman, Samuel | Jan. 3, 1914 | 76 | Mizpah, 768 | Chicago |
| Johnson, Thomas | Mar. 4, 1916 | 78 | White Hall, 80 | White Hall |
| Kelley, John B. | May 14, 1913 | 80 | Mystic Star, 758 | Chicago |
| Kennedy, Thomas | May 14, 1914 | 73 | Mystic Star, 758 | Chicago |
| Kirkwood, Thos. M. | May 13, 1914 | 83 | Dearborn, 310 | Chicago |
| Kistler, John S. | May 12, 1905 | 71 | Preemption, 755 | Preemption |
| Krick, Albert | Sept. 16, 1915 | 61 | Constantia, 783 | Chicago |
| Lane, Wilson H. | Dec. 6, 1915 | 76 | Quincy, 296 | Quincy |
| Larson, Nels | May 12, 1912 | 77 | Apollo, 642 | Chicago |
| Lively, Jermiah H. | Feb. 29, 1912 | 75 | Oblong City, 644 | Oblong |
| Lyons, John J. | May 20, 1916 | 75 | Keystone, 639 | Chicago |
| Maroe, William H. | April 10, 1908 | 58 | Kendrick, 430 | Timewell |
| Masters, Alexander | Dec. 7, 1904 | 84 | Central, 71 | Springfield |
| Miller, Leslie H. | Nov. 15, 1916 | 69 | No lodge | |
| Miller, Samuel B. | July 5, 1916 | 71 | Enfield, 677 | Enfield |
| Minard, Seth A. | April 1, 1916 | 68 | Auburn Park, 789 | Chicago |
| Minkler, Thomas E. | Oct. 13, 1914 | 70 | Aurora, 254 | Aurora |
| Moore, James T. | May 13, 1915 | 68 | Joppa, 706 | Cowden |
| Morgan, Elijah A. | May 8, 1917 | 63 | Ionic, 312 | Decatur |
| McDannel, James M. | July 27, 1915 | 54 | Golden Rule, 726 | Chicago |
| McIntire, George W. | Mar. 9, 1910 | 72 | Vesper, 584 | Galesburg |
| McKissick, George | Feb. 22, 1906 | 65 | Rock Island, 658 | Rock Island |
| Mc Lean, James C. | May 8, 1914 | 62 | Paris, 268 | Paris |
| Nichols, John H. | May 10, 1916 | 70 | Fairfield, 206 | Fairfield |
| Olson, Henry A. | Aug. 28, 1916 | 35 | W. B. Warren, 209 | Chicago |
| Paulsen, Peter | Mar. 28, 1916 | 54 | Avondale, 921 | Chicago |
| Plischke, Frank | Sept. 21, 1912 | 80 | Herder, 669 | Chicago |
| Pritchard, James | Mar. 28, 1912 | 81 | Morning Star, 734 | Canton |
| Quinlin, William J. | Nov. 30, 1914 | 82 | Ionic, 312 | Decatur |
| Rand, George W. | Aug. 6, 1917 | 78 | Excelsior, 97 | Freeport |
| Rich, James P. | Sept. 24, 1915 | 87 | St. Clair, 24 | Belleville |
| Richardson, William | Nov. 13, 1915 | 64 | Lake View, 774 | Chicago |
| Roberts, Chas. G. | July 26, 1916 | 77 | Wade Barney, 512 | Bloomington |
| Rodefer, David W. | July 20, 1915 | 47 | Star in the East, 166 | Rockford |
| Rouse, Frank F. | Oct. 17, 1913 | 55 | Tyrian, 333 | Springfield |
| Rundell, Gustavus D. | June 28, 1905 | 86 | Acacia, 67 | La Salle |
| Schumaker, F. C. | June 5, 1917 | 65 | Constantia, 783 | Chicago |
| Scott, Vincent F. | July 10, 1916 | 68 | Mt. Pulaski, 87 | Mt. Pulaski |
| Snell, William H. | June 26, 1908 | 70 | Benjamin, 297 | Camp Point |
| Snyder, George H. | Nov. 14, 1913 | 64 | Hancock, 20 | Carthage |
| Sproull, William M. | Aug. 16, 1916 | 81 | Greenville, 245 | Greenville |
| Tucker, Luther K. | July 30, 1910 | 84 | Geneva, 139 | Geneva |
| Wallace, William W. | Nov. 22, 1911 | 79 | Centralia, 201 | Centralia |
| Watkins, Charles F. | Dec. 30, 1913 | 60 | W. B. Warren, 209 | Chicago |
| Wells, Julian E. | Mar. 21, 1917 | 61 | Maroa, 454 | Maroa |
| Whitcomb, Geo. H. | Oct. 14, 1914 | 77 | Meteor, 283 | Sandwich |
| Whitney, William V. | May 18, 1914 | 73 | Arcola, 366 | Arcola |
| Wisenant, Henry | Sept. 20, 1913 | 78 | Mt. Pulaski, 87 | Mt. Pulaski |
| Withrow, John J. | May 10, 1912 | 77 | Occidental, 40 | Ottawa |
| Young, William | Nov. 10, 1916 | 75 | Lounsbury, 751 | Barrington |
| Yunker, Fred | May 22, 1908 | 76 | Wilmington, 208 | Wilmington |
| Beenke, Theodore R. | Jan. 12, 1916 | 8 | Kensington, 804 | Chicago |

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP (WOMEN).

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alexander, Anna M. | Mar. | 31, | 1906 | 83 | Ionic, 312 ..... Decatur |
| Baker, Elizabeth | June | 29, | 1909 | 66 | Wade Barney, 512 .... Bloomington |
| Barker, Harriet | June | 30, | 1917 | 57 | Fides, 842 ..... Chicago |
| Bennett, Elizabeth | June | 3, | 1917 | 76 | Cleveland, 211 ..... Chicago |
| Bradney, Aurelia M. | July | 24, | 1916 | 84 | Bodley, 1 ..... Quincy |
| Brooks, Nancy A. | Sept. | 8, | 1915 | 73 | Hardin, 44 ..... Mt. Sterling |
| Burt, Margaret E. | Nov. | 17, | 1914 | 74 | Dearborn, 310 ..... Chicago |
| Butler, Mary | July | 6, | 1916 | 78 | Pontiac, 294 ..... Pontiac |
| Campbell, Mary E. | Oct. | 19, | 1913 | 67 | Huntsville, 465 ..... Huntsville |
| Craig, Elizabeth R. | Feb. | 1, | 1917 | 80 | Iola, 691 ..... Iola |
| Davis, Amanda Ruth | Aug. | 24, | 1911 | 86 | Jeffersonville, 460 ... Jeffersonville |
| Fenton, Eliza | Jan. | 4, | 1916 | 67 | T. J. Turner, 409 ..... Chicago |
| Green, Bessie | Aug. | 10, | 1911 | 76 | Covenant, 526 ..... Chicago |
| Grout, Mary R. | Aug. | 21, | 1915 | 69 | Garden City, 141 ..... Chicago |
| Hitchcock, Mary | Sept. | 11, | 1917 | 67 | Garfield, 686 ..... Chicago |
| Haley, Julia E. | Oct. | 13, | 1913 | 65 | Garfield, 686 ..... Chicago |
| Hammonds, Hannah | Jan. | 21, | 1916 | 67 | La Fayette, 657 ..... Grand Tower |
| Hansell, Emily C. | May | 28, | 1915 | 65 | Lincoln Park, 611 ..... Chicago |
| Henderson, Annie G. | Jan. | 20, | 1915 | 73 | Cairo, 237 ..... Cairo |
| Hildreth, Christian | Jan. | 21, | 1916 | 77 | Vermillion, 265 ..... Indianola |
| Hodgkin, Alvina K. | Aug. | 19, | 1915 | 79 | Lambert, 659 ..... Quincy |
| Howard, Amelia W. | Dec. | 20, | 1912 | 77 | W. B. Warren, 209 ..... Chicago |
| Howard, Helen | Sept. | 19, | 1916 | 75 | Covenant, 526 ..... Chicago |
| Humble, Martha | Sept. | 9, | 1910 | 82 | John D. Moody, 510 ..... Iuka |
| Jarboe, Mary L. | Aug. | 5, | 1915 | 60 | Kansas, 280 ..... Kansas |
| Johnsen, Emilie | Oct. | 6, | 1916 | 69 | Logan Square, 891 ..... Chicago |
| Johnson, Rebecca E. | June | 23, | 1914 | 78 | Quincy, 296 ..... Quincy |
| Joice, Annie E. | April | 27, | 1916 | 50 | Covenant, 526 ..... Chicago |
| Joice, Eliza G. | April | 27, | 1916 | 74 | Covenant, 526 ..... Chicago |
| Lane, Lucy R. | Dec. | 6, | 1915 | 75 | Quincy, 296 ..... Quincy |
| Lawrence, Martha | Nov. | 18, | 1909 | 81 | Cleveland, 211 ..... Chicago |
| Pearsall, Harriet A. | Oct. | 28, | 1916 | 82 | Hinsdale defunct |
| Philhower, Hannah | Nov. | 23, | 1904 | 77 | Mattoon, 260 ..... Mattoon |
| Phillips, Ella | April | 15, | 1910 | 70 | Murphysboro, 498 ... Murphysboro |
| Schnellbacher, Anna M. | Mar. | 19, | 1913 | 66 | Empire, 126 ..... Pekin |
| Tatham, Harriet A. | May | 2, | 1914 | 73 | Greenville, 245 ..... Greenville |
| Tedmon, Jennie M. | Feb. | 18, | 1915 | 62 | Kilwinning, 311 ..... Chicago |
| Wade, Elizabeth H. | Feb. | 27, | 1917 | 65 | Belle Rive, 696 ..... Belle Rive |
| Walder, Mollie A. | Jan. | 29, | 1917 | 78 | Cairo, 237 ..... Cairo |
| Warner, Anna J. | Sept. | 27, | 1915 | 75 | Covenant, 526 ..... Chicago |
| Weddle, Elizabeth | Nov. | 23, | 1911 | 64 | Pana, 226 ..... Pana |
| White, Augusta G. | Jan. | 13, | 1912 | 91 | Blair, 393 ..... Chicago |
| Williams, Margaret J. | Jan. | 3, | 1915 | 68 | Oak Park, 540 ..... Oak Park |
| Wisenant, Nancy | Jan. | 13, | 1914 | 78 | Mt. Pulaski, 87 ..... Mt. Pulaski |

SUMMARY.

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| Children | 1 |
| Men | 80 |
| Women | 44 |
| | 125 |

DEATHS.

| Date of Death | Name | Place of Interment |
|---|---|---|
| Oct. 5, 1916 | Nancy Melissa Dodd | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| Oct. 24, 1916 | Francis M. Young | Chicago, Ill. |
| Oct. 29, 1916 | Joseph Paul Smith | Oakwood, Ill. |
| Nov. 23, 1916 | Ellen Bruner | Alton, Ill. |
| Dec. 6, 1916 | Micheal E. Fox | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| Dec. 9, 1916 | Edward W. Willasey | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| Feb. 14, 1917 | Luke Funk | Winchester, Ill. |
| Mar. 1, 1917 | William H. Hardiment | DeKalb County, Ill. |
| Mar. 4, 1917 | John P. Jones | Riverview, Aurora, Ill. |
| Mar. 5, 1917 | Frailey Frank Lane | Fulton County, Ill. |

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| Mar. 8, 1917 | Haley Leander M. White | Coles County, Ill. |
| Mar. 11, 1917 | Simon Wilnau | Chicago, Ill. |
| Mar. 15, 1917 | Harry Thorne | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| Mar. 17, 1917 | Margie Bimrick | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| Mar. 18, 1917 | Charles Dunk | McLean County, Ill. |
| Mar. 21, 1917 | George W. Potts | LeRoy, Ill. |
| April 7, 1917 | James Paulson Ryan | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| April 18, 1917 | Charles R. Grout | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| May 18, 1917 | George Washington Shaw | Mattoon, Ill. |
| June 5, 1917 | George B. Johnston | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| June 13, 1917 | Corvilla A. Keller | Mattoon, Ill. |
| June 22, 1917 | Samuel F. White | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| July 8, 1917 | Franklin M. Derry | Sangamon County, Ill. |
| July 15, 1917 | Colven Bradner Burt | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| July 28, 1917 | James Davis | Masonic Home Cemetery |
| July 31, 1917 | George M. Furlong | Marion, Ill. |
| July 31, 1917 | Abram V. Knickerbocker | Naperville, Ill. |
| Aug. 14, 1917 | James Milton Parker | Patoka, Ill. |
| Sept. 19, 1917 | Augustus B. Slater | Durant, Iowa |

MEMBERSHIPS TERMINATED OTHER THAN BY DEATH.

| Date | Age | Name | Lodge | Cause |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sept. 27, 1916 | 75 | Henry Clay Kurtz. | Oakland No. 219. | Withdrew voluntarily |
| Sept. 30, 1916 | 47 | Frank R. Lynn.... | Woodlawn Park No. 841 | Returned to position |
| Oct. 1, 1916 | 53 | I. Harry Todd.... | Gothic No. 852 | Withdrew |
| Oct. 2, 1916 | 78 | John W. Brown... | Blue Mound No. 682 | Absent overtime |
| Oct. 8, 1916 | 75 | James P. Ryan.... | Granite City No. 877. | Absent overtime |
| Oct. 19, 1916 | 78 | George Pfirman ... | Lambert No. 659. | Withdrew voluntarily |
| Nov. 14, 1916 | 87 | Henry Birely ..... | Robert Burns No. 113. | Absent overtime |
| Dec. 4, 1916 | 59 | Anna D. Collingwood | Western Star No. 240 | Removed on account mental condition |
| Dec. 8, 1916 | 40 | Ernest A. Logie... | Blair No. 393 | Absent overtime |
| Jan. 8, 1917 | 82 | Calvin Carr ..... | Cleveland No. 211 | Absent overtime |
| Jan. 14, 1917 | 13 | Weir M .Funk.... | Exeter No. 424 | Transferred to LaGrange Home |
| Jan. 14, 1917 | 11 | Chester R. Runk.. | Exeter No. 424 | Transferred to LaGrange Home |
| Feb. 18, 1917 | 8 | Harold Frank Holzman | Waubansia No. 160 | Returned to LaGrange Home |
| Mar. 10, 1917 | 60 | Mary L. Jarboe... | Kansas No. 280 | Absent overtime |
| Mar. 11, 1917 | 71 | Alice M. Minard... | Auburn Park No. 789. | Absent overtime |
| Mar. 17, 1917 | 59 | Mary A. Willasey. | Paris No. 268 | Absent overtime |
| May 17, 1917 | 61 | John F. Miller.... | Bluffs No. 846 | Withdrew voluntarily |
| July 25, 1917 | 64 | Neil C. McCallum. | Englewood No. 690 | Absent overtime |
| Aug. 10, 1917 | 71 | Mary J. Sutherland | Washington Chap. No. 43 | Adjudged insane |

RECAPITULATION.

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|---|---|---|---|
| Membership Oct. 1, 1916 | 139 | Died during year | 29 |
| Boys from La Grange | 2 | Withdrew | 16 |
| Admitted during the year | 29 | Discharged | 3 |
| Re-instated | 3 | Membership Oct. 1, 1917 | 125 |
| Total | 173 | Total | 173 |

ENTERTAINMENT FUND—RECEIPTS.

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| Dec. 2, 1916 | Metropolitan Lodge No. 860 | $ | 25.00 |
| Dec. 4, 1916 | Brotherhood Lodge No. 896 | | 25.00 |
| Dec. 7, 1916 | Temple Lodge No. 46 | | 25.00 |
| Dec. 7, 1916 | Lincoln Park Chapter No. 177 | | 25.00 |

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| Dec. 7, 1916 | Lake View Lodge No. 774 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 9, 1916 | Banner Blue Lodge No. 924 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 10, 1916 | Crossman Chapter No. 155 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 10, 1916 | Wm. M. McKinley Lodge No. 876 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 11, 1916 | Columbia Lodge No. 819 | 15.00 |
| Dec. 11, 1916 | Welcome Lodge No. 916 | 15.00 |
| Dec. 12, 1916 | Greenville Lodge No. 245 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 12, 1916 | Trowel Lodge No. 981 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 12, 1916 | Boulevard Lodge No. 882 | 50.00 |
| Dec. 12, 1916 | Marine Lodge No. 355 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 13, 1916 | Olive Branch Lodge No. 38 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 13, 1916 | Constellation Lodge No. 892 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 13, 1916 | Integrity Lodge U. D. | 10.00 |
| Dec. 13, 1916 | Pleaides Lodge No. 478 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 13, 1916 | Avondale Lodge No. 921 | 15.00 |
| Dec. 13, 1916 | Delavan Lodge No. 156 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 13, 1916 | Veritas Lodge No. 926 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 13, 1916 | Havana Lodge No. 88 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Mizpah Lodge No. 768 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Harvard Lodge No. 309 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Justice Lodge No. 949 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Jacob Retterer | 5.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Union Park Lodge No. 610 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Wright's Grove Lodge No. 779 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Granite City Lodge No. 877 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Blair Lodge No. 393 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 15, 1916 | Fortitude Lodge U. D. | 10.00 |
| Dec. 16, 1916 | York Chapter No. 148 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 16, 1916 | Welfare Lodge No. 991 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 17, 1916 | Lawndale Lodge No. 995 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 17, 1916 | E. C. Cowling | 12.50 |
| Dec. 17, 1916 | Accordia Lodge No. 277 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 17, 1916 | Bohemia Lodge No. 943 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 17, 1916 | Pullman Chapter No. 204 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 18, 1916 | Washington Park Lodge No. 956 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | Wade Barney Lodge No. 512 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | Prudence Lodge No. 958 | 15.00 |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | W. B. Warren Lodge No. 209 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | Home Lodge No. 508 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | Edward Dobbins Lodge No. 164 | 15.00 |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | Lakeside Lodge No. 739 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | American Lodge No. 889 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 19, 1916 | Cairo Lodge No. 237 | 5.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Waubansia Lodge No. 160 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Sincerity Lodge No. 982 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | True Blue Lodge No. 994 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Columbia Commandery No. 63 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Cairo Chapter No. 71 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Crescent Lodge No. 895 | 35.00 |
| Dec. 20, 1916 | Mattoon Lodge No. 260 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 21, 1916 | Paris Lodge No. 268 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 21, 1916 | Old Glory Lodge No. 975 | 30.50 |
| Dec. 22, 1916 | Apollo Commandery No. 1 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 22, 1916 | Murphysboro Lodge No. 498 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 23, 1916 | Progressive Lodge No. 954 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 23, 1916 | East St. Louis Lodge No. 504 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 23, 1916 | Arcana Lodge No. 717 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 23, 1916 | Piasa Lodge No. 27 | 5.00 |
| Dec. 23, 1916 | Garden City Lodge No. 141 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Oak Park Lodge No. 540 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 24, 1916 | Chicago Lodge No. 437 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 25, 1916 | Bee Hive Lodge No. 909 | 25.00 |
| Dec. 26, 1916 | Gothic Lodge No. 852 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 28, 1916 | John C. Smith Lodge No. 944 | 15.00 |
| Dec. 30, 1916 | St. Cecilia Lodge No. 865 | 10.00 |
| Dec. 31, 1916 | Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907 | 25.00 |
| Jan. 4, 1917 | Shabbona Lodge No. 374 | 5.00 |
| Jan. 5, 1917 | South Side Lodge No. 968 | 8.80 |
| Jan. 9, 1917 | Oriental Consistory | 25.00 |
| Jan. 24, 1917 | La Fayette Chapter No. 2 | 25.00 |
| Feb. 7, 1917 | East St. Louis Commandery No. 81 | 5.00 |
| Feb. 20, 1917 | Park Manor Lodge No. 899 | 25.00 |
| June 9, 1917 | E. W. Dierssen, Chicago | 15.00 |
| June 18, 1917 | Cicero Lodge No. 955 | 61.60 |
| June 18, 1917 | Sale of Books of Views | 9.00 |
| Aug. 6, 1917 | Republic Lodge No. 914 | 5.00 |
| Sept. 11, 1917 | Received from miscellaneous sources | 9.05 |
| | Total receipts | $1271.45 |
| Oct. 1, 1916 | Balance on hand | 217.89 |
| | Total | $1489.34 |

ENTERTAINMENT FUND—DISBURSEMENTS.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dec. | 21, 1916 | Geo. D. Legg Poultry Co., turkeys | $ 42.00 |
| Dec. | 20, 1916 | G. W. Pumphrey, Christmas goods | 17.00 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | McClelland Ward Co., candy | 8.70 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | Jobst Bethard Co., Christmas supplies | 6.50 |
| Dec. | 22, 1916 | J. F. Humphreys and Co., candy, nuts and fruit | 108.05 |
| Dec. | 23, 1916 | First National Bank, 132 two-dollar bills | 264.00 |
| Dec. | 23, 1916 | Rev. W. B. Hopper | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 23, 1916 | Rev. J. S. Tharp | 25.00 |
| Dec. | 23, 1916 | Rev. M. C. Cockrum | 25.00 |
| Jan. | 1, 1917 | Sullivan Ice Cream Company, ice cream | 25.45 |
| Jan. | 1, 1917 | R. D. Meeker, candy | 103.40 |
| Jan. | 1, 1917 | Barber's Orchestra, music barn reception | 15.00 |
| Jan. | 1, 1917 | Rexall Store, candy and cards | 43.46 |
| Jan. | 1, 1917 | Illinois Masonic Review, 6 copies Review | 6.00 |
| Jan. | 1, 1917 | O. L. Todd, merchandise for Christmas | 29.05 |
| Jan. | 1, 1917 | J. E. Wood, candy and nuts | 26.00 |
| Jan. | 8, 1917 | G. W. Pumphrey, Christmas goods | 42.00 |
| Jan. | 9, 1917 | G. W. Pumphrey, Christmas goods | 18.19 |
| Jan. | 16, 1917 | E. E. Barber, Sunday newspapers | 24.10 |
| Jan. | 16, 1917 | John M. Bushart, auto ride for members | 42.00 |
| Jan. | 25, 1917 | G. W. Pumphrey, express on monitors | 2.20 |
| Jan. | 31, 1917 | East Side Drug Store, cigars and stationery | 67.00 |
| Jan. | 31, 1917 | J. M. Cummins and Son, sled for Funk boys | 2.50 |
| Jan. | 31, 1917 | East Side Drug Store, Hallowe'en supplies | 2.10 |
| Jan. | 31, 1917 | Sam B. Hall, cigars and Victrola records | 47.00 |
| Feb. | 21, 1917 | G. W. Pumphrey, miscellaneous | 41.14 |
| Feb. | 21, 1917 | J. A. Wibe, flowers for Christmas | 2.75 |
| Feb. | 21, 1917 | Sullivan Ice Cream Co., ice cream | 10.00 |
| Mar. | 24, 1917 | Transportation, miscellaneous | 35.75 |
| Mar. | 24, 1917 | R. D. Meeker, candy, etc., for Washington's Birthday | 12.35 |
| Mar. | 29, 1917 | E. E. Barber, Sunday papers and Christmas mdse. | 39.40 |
| May | 9, 1917 | Sullivan Ice Cream Co., ice cream | 4.25 |
| May | 10, 1917 | Pantagraph Printing Co., booklets of views | 12.50 |
| May | 21, 1917 | G. Bruno, music by orchestra | 4.00 |
| June | 28, 1917 | W. A. Dixon, express and charges on records | 6.59 |
| June | 29, 1917 | J. E. Wood, fancy cakes | 4.40 |
| June | 29, 1917 | McClelland Grocer Co., candy | 13.81 |
| July | 2, 1917 | Roy Perry, fixing flag pole | 10.00 |
| July | 3, 1917 | Hyatt's Supply Co., mdse. for 4th July | 11.73 |
| July | 5, 1917 | Morehouse and Wells Co., croquet and tennis | 18.00 |
| July | 12, 1917 | F. A. Brown, work on 2 pianos | 5.00 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| July | 26, 1917 | The Hancock Commission Co., fruit | 14.00 |
| July | 31, 1917 | Miller and Hart, provisions for 4th July | 29.56 |
| Aug. | 7, 1917 | Sullivan Ice Cream Co., ice cream | 13.50 |
| Aug. | 29, 1917 | E. E. Barber, Sunday newspapers | 59.40 |
| Aug. | 16, 1917 | S. T. Bolin, 15 Chautauqua tickets (season) | 22.50 |
| Sept. | 10, 1917 | J. S. Merrill Drug Co., Victrola | 35.00 |
| | | Total disbursements | $1423.23 |
| Oct. | 1, 1917 | Balance on hand | 66.11 |
| | | Total | $1489.34 |

List of Periodicals taken at Sullivan the price of subscriptions having been taken from Library Fund, as per report.

10 Saturday Evening Post.
8 Ladies' Home Journal.
1 Country Gentlemen.
4 McClures' Magazine.
1 Scientific American.
2 Popular Science.
2 Pictorial Review.
6 American Magazine.
3 Puck.
3 Judge.
3 Life.
3 Colliers.
3 Leslie's Weekly.
1 Harper's Weekly (now The Independent).
1 Literary Digest.
1 Illustrated London News, American Edition.
8 Decatur Herald.
20 Chicago Tribune.
10 Chicago Herald.

Fraternally yours,

William A. Dixon,
*Superintendent.*

## REPORT OF SECRETARY BOARD OF MANAGERS

LA GRANGE.

*To the Board of Managers of Illinois Masonic Homes:*

BRETHREN:—I herewith submit my report as Secretary:

| Fund | Charged to Treasurer | Disbursed | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|
| Maintenance | $26,000.00 | $26,000.00 | |
| Manual Training | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | |

SULLIVAN.

| Fund | Charged to Treasurer | Disbursed | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|
| Maintenance | $57,000.00 | $57,000.00 | |
| Refrigeration | 2,550.00 | 1,848.12 | $ 701.88 |
| New Barn | 9,550.26 | 9,550.26 | |
| Hospital "A" | 429.72 | 429.72 | |
| Roadways | 3,000.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Kitchen Equipment | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | |
| Unpaid Bills | 2,548.83 | 2,548.83 | |
| New Dormitory | 44,000.00 | 36,669.50 | 7,330.50 |
| Water Supply | 6,003.24 | 5,854.86 | 148.38 |
| Boiler & Heating | 1,000.00 | 253.43 | 746.57 |
| New Boilers | 7,508.43 | 7,000.00 | 508.43 |
| Totals | $135,090.48 | $124,154.72 | $10.935.76 |

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|---|---|
| Treasurer's Balance Oct. 1, 1917 | $ 10,935.76 |
| Due from Grand Lodge | 21,000.00 |
| Unexpended Balance 1916 | 9,029.98 |
| Received from Grand Lodge | 121,057.26 |
| Received from Grand Chapter | 5,000.00 |
| Received from Discount | 3.24 |
| | $135,090.48 |

WILLIAM D. PRICE,
*Secretary.*

## REPORT OF TREASURER—BOARD OF MANAGERS

Chicago, Ill., October 8, 1917.

*To the Board of Managers of Illinois Masonic Homes.*

BRETHREN:—I herewith submit report of receipts and disbursements on account of Illinois Masonic Homes:

SULLIVAN.

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received of W. D. Price, Secretary, vouchers as follows: 14-x-18-23-26-29-33-39-43-48-51-56-58-61-68. Total | $52,000.00 |
| Voucher No. 21, Grand Chapter donation | 5,000.00 |
| Received from Superintendent account | 722.39 |
| | $57,722.39 |
| Disbursements as per vouchers; 1298-1299-1300-1302-1305-1308-1309-1310-1311-1313-1314-1315-1316-1318-1325-1330-1338-1343-1347-1358-1365-1378-1384-1393-1382-1394-1398. Total | $57,722.39 |

LA GRANGE.

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received from W. D. Price, Secretary, vouchers as follows: 13-x-24-25-30-31-34-40-44-48-51-55-58-62 Total | $26,000.00 |
| Received acct. sale old furniture | 3.00 |
| Received from Superintendent account | 166.85 |
| | $26,169.85 |
| Disbursements as per vouchers; 5486-5487-5488-5489-5490-5491-5493-5494-5495-5496-5497-5498-5499-5500-5501-5502-5503-5506-5507-5508-5510-5521-5523-5524-5527-5529. Total | $26,169.85 |

LA GRANGE.

Special Appropriation—Bldg. Changes.

| | |
|---|---|
| Unexpended balance | $ 3.84 |
| Disbursed by voucher 5492 to Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. | 3.84 |

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Special Appropriation—Manual Training.

| | |
|---|---|
| Unexpended balance | $30.85 |
| Disbursed by voucher 5492 to Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. | 30.85 |

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Manual Training and Domestic Science Account.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received from W. D. Price, Secretary, vouchers as follows: 48-59. | $ 1,500.00 |
| Disbursements as per vouchers; 5504-5505-5509-5511-5512-5513-5514-5515-5516-5517-5518-5519-5520-5525-5526-5528 | 1,500.00 |

SULLIVAN.

Kitchen Equipment.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received from W. D. Price, Secretary, voucher 14 | $1,500.00 |
| Disbursements as per vouchers 3317-3321-3328 | 1,500.00 |

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Barn Account.

| | |
|---|---|
| Unexpended balance | $ 6,550.26 |
| Received from W. D. Price, Secretary, voucher 20 | 3,000.00 |
| | $9,550.26 |
| Disbursements as per vouchers; 1297-1312-1320-1322-1323-1329-1331-1332 | $9,550.26 |

Repairing and Replacing Boilers, Account.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received from W. D. Price, Secretary, vouchers as follows; 64-36 . . . . . Total.. | $ 8,508.43 |
| Disbursements as per vouchers; 1388-1396-1333-1334-1354-1355 . . . . . Total.. | 7,253.43 |
| Balance in Bank, credit this account | 1,255.00 |
| | $ 8,508.43 |

Special Road Fund Account.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received from W. D. Price, Secretary, vouchers as follows; 14-37 . . . . . Total.. | $ 3,000.00 |
| Disbursements as per vouchers; 1306-1335 . . . . . Total.. | 1,500.00 |
| Balance in Bank, credit this account | 1,500.00 |
| | $ 3,000.00 |

Special Appropriation—Deficit Last Year.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received from W. D. Price, Secretary, voucher 14 | $2,548.83 |
| Disbursement as per voucher 1301 | 2,548.83 |

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Account "A."

| | |
|---|---|
| Unexpended balance | $ 429.72 |
| Disbursement as per voucher 1313A | 429.72 |

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Wells and Machinery Account.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received from W. D. Price, Secretary, vouchers as follows; 1938-53 | $6,000.00 |
| Discount on pump | 3.24 |
| | $6,003.24 |
| Disbursements as per vouchers; 1303-1336-1340-1341-1342-1344-1346-1348-1349-1352-1353-1356-1362-1363-1366-1369-1368-1370-1372-1373-1374-1375-1376-1377-1381-1389-1390-1391 ....Total | $5,854.86 |
| Balance in Bank, credit this account | 148.38 |
| | $6,003.24 |

IRVING SHUMAN,
*Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF AUDITOR

### Report on ILLINOIS MASONIC HOMES.

*Robert J. Daly, Esq., President, Board of Managers, Illinois Masonic Homes, Chicago, Ill.*

Dear Sir:—Agreeably to your request, I have examined the records of the Secretary and the Treasurer of the *Illinois Masonic Homes* for the year ended September 30, 1917, and hereby certify, that, the appended Statement of Funds is a true and correct exhibit of condition of the funds, proper allowance being made for vouchers issued and not yet presented for payment, as shown by these records.

Yours very truly,

R. M. RICKEY,
*Auditor.*

Dated at Chicago, Ill., October 6, 1917.

## STATEMENT OF FUNDS

**For the Year Ended September 30, 1917.**

SULLIVAN HOME.

| Title of Appropriation | Balance Sept. 30, 1916 | Received on Appropriation | Disbursed Less Misc. Refunds | Balance Sept. 30, 1917 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Maintenance (including Fuel, also, Grand Chapter Hospital Fund) | $ ..... | $ 57,000.00 | $ 57,000.00 | $ ..... |
| Unpaid Bills | ..... | 2,548.83 | 2,548.83 | ..... |
| Hospital "A" | $ 429.72 | ..... | 429.72 | ..... |
| Refrigeration | 2,050.00 | 500.00 | 1,848.12 | $ 701.88 |
| New Barn | 6,550.26 | 3,000.00 | 9,550.26 | ..... |
| New Dormitory | ..... | 44,000.00 | 36,669.50 | 7,330.50 |
| Boiler Plant | ..... | 8,508.43 | 7,253.43 | 1,255.00 |
| Water Supply | ..... | 6,000.00 | 5,851.62 | 148.38 |
| Roadways | ..... | 3,000.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Kitchen Equipment | ..... | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | ..... |
| Total Sullivan | $9,029.98 | $126,057.26 | $124,151.48 | $10,935.76 |

LA GRANGE HOME.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Maintenance (1915-1916) | $ 11.15 | $ 11.15 | ..... | ..... |
| Manual Training (1915-1916) | 30.85 | ..... | $ 30.85 | ..... |
| Building Changes | 3.84 | ..... | 3.84 | ..... |
| Maintenance and Fuel (1916-1917) | .... | 26,000.00 | 26,000.00 | ..... |
| Manual Training | .... | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | ..... |
| Total La Grange | $ 23.54 | $27,511.15 | $27,534.69 | ..... |

## STATEMENT OF FUNDS

**For the Year Ended September 30, 1917.**

VOUCHERS ISSUED AND NOT YET PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| No. 1392 to Continental Machine and Foundry Co., Sullivan Refrigeration | $ 3.12 |
| No. 1398 to W. A. Dixon, Supt., Sullivan Maintenance | 2,000.00 |

MAINTENANCE SULLIVAN HOME, (Superintendent's Accounts)

RECEIPTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Maintenance, Hospital and Fuel Appropriations | $57,000.00 |
| Cash in Bank September 30, 1916 | 2.49 |
| Unpaid Bills of $4,643.30 after deducting Voucher No. 1398 for $2,000.00 in transit and Cash in Bank $230.64 | 2,412.66 |
| Total | $59,415.15 |

EXPENDITURES (Refunds and Earnings Deducted)

| | |
|---|---|
| Maintenance of Home | $45,655.42 |
| Hospital Provisions, Furnishings and Medical expenses | 9,355.84 |
| Expenditures of $11,838.68 for Farm (including $4,657.49 for Improvements, Buildings and Equipment) less, Farm Earnings of $7,434.79 | 4,403.89 |
| Total | $59,415.15 |

MAINTENANCE LA GRANGE, (Superintendent's Accounts)

RECEIPTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Maintenance and Fuel Appropriations | $26,000.00 |
| Cash in Bank September 30, 1916, after paying overdraft in Maintenance Fund of $11.15 on that date | 231.90 |
| Total | $26,231.90 |

EXPENDITURES (Refunds Deducted)

| | |
|---|---|
| Maintenance of Home | $26,209.10 |
| Cash in Bank, September 30, 1917 | 22.80 |
| Total | $26,231.90 |

# MASONIC
# CODE-QUIZ

BASED ON
THE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS

PREPARED BY
OWEN SCOTT, P. G. M.

APPROVED BY
GRAND LODGE, OCTOBER, 1917

## THE REASON FOR THIS LITTLE BOOK.

Under Sec. 179, Grand Lodge Code of 1914, par. B, grand lecturers are required to be examined as to their proficiency in the standard work "and as to their knowledge of the principles, laws, rules, regulations, customs and usages of the fraternity."

Pursuant to this law, the grand master in his annual report for 1916, (proceedings see page 19,) recommended that the Committee on Jurisprudence "compile a set of questions and answers, based upon our entire code, and submit to the grand lodge for approval and this could then be published and would form a basis for an examination on the law."

This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence. After due consideration the committee unanimously reported as follows;

> "We concur in the recommendation of the most worshipful grand master relating to the preparation of a system of teaching the principles, laws, rules, regulations, customs and usages of the fraternity by questions and answers, based on the code, in order that the requirements of Section A, Code 183 may be fully met, and suggest that the most worshipful grand master be authorized to appoint some capable brother to prepare such questions and answers to be submitted to this committee not later than May 1, 1917, for revision and approval, that they may be submitted to the most worshipful grand lodge, at its 1917 meeting for adoption or rejection.
>
> The effect of the adoption by the grand lodge to be to require all applicants for commissions as deputy grand lecturers, to be examined on these questions and answers in addition to the examination now required."

This report was adopted by the grand lodge.

In accordance with this action the grand master appointed Past Grand Master Owen Scott to make the compilation. The first draft of these questions and answers was ready prior to May 1, 1917, as required in the report.

The grand master called together his Advisory Council, the Jurisprudence Committee, Committee on Legislation and other brethren, for review and revision of the work done. After careful and thorough consideration the revised Code-Quiz was submitted for final consideration to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

On July 18, 1917, the committee went carefully over this work as herewith submitted.

It has taken a good deal of time and a great amount of labor to cover the entire scope of our code of laws. The result is shown in the pages of this little book. It is not intended to provide new law but a re-statement of the old, so the same may be used as a basis for examination of candidates for commisions as grand lecturers.

## THE CHARGES OF A FREEMASON

**As Contained in the Illinois Code. Reprinted from the Original Edition. William Hunter, London, 1723.**

1. What is a Mason's duty regarding God and religion?
   He should obey the moral law and should not be a "stupid atheist nor an irreligious libertine." Charge 1.
2. What religion should a Mason espouse?
   That on which all men agree, leaving sectarian or denominational difference to individual choice and opinion. Charge 1.
3. What relation should a brother bear to his country?
   He should be a peaceable and patriotic citizen, subject to the laws and legally constituted authorities of the community in which he lives. Charge 2.
4. What is a lodge?
   A place where Masons assemble and work; also, an assembly or duly organized society of Masons. It is the duty of each brother to be a member of some lodge, subject to its laws and the general regulations. Charge 3 p-4.
5. What should not be discussed in the lodge rooms?
   Partizan politics and sectarianism in religion must be avoided. Charge 6 Sub. 2. Code 315.
6. What should be the bearing of Masons toward strangers.
   They should be cautious in words and manner so that the secrets of the craft shall not be divulged. All transactions of the lodge should be kept sacredly guarded so that outsiders may not know of them. Charge 6 Sub. 4.
   See pages 3 to 11 Code of 1915.

## THE GRAND LODGE

**And Its Constituents Are Incorporated Under the Laws of Illinois by Special Acts of the Legislature Dated Feb. 20, 1847, Feb. 14, 1855 and June 2, 1911.**

### Incorporation Laws.

8. Is the grand lodge incorporated under the laws of Illinois?
   Yes. The correct legal name is "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois."

9. Are constituent lodges incorporated?
   Yes. Each is incorporated under the same law as the grand lodge. The corporate name and number are as set forth in the charter. In this name lodges can sue and be sued.

10. How do lodges execute deeds and other legal documents?
    They should be made in the corporate name and number and signed by the master and wardens attested by the secretary under the seal of the lodge.

11. Is there a limit to the amount of property lodges may hold?
    There is none. They can own property or borrow money in any amount to secure the purposes of the organization.
    For laws of incorporation see Code 1915 p. 12-18.

## THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND LODGE

**Was Adopted Oct. 4, 1871, and Re-adopted May 22, 1914.**

(Figures used herein refer to Sections of the Illinois Grand Lodge Code of 1915.)

12. Wherein resides supreme legislative, executive and judicial authority for Masonry in Illinois?
    The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of this state.

13. Is there any other masonic governing body to which the grand lodge of Illinois is obedient?
    There is none. The powers of this grand lodge are absolute within its territorial limits. It is supreme and independent, being limited only by the landmarks and the laws and usages of the universal craft.

14. Who constitute the grand lodge?
    See Code 4 for answer.

15. Can a grand lodge officer officiate in station to which he has been elected before being installed?
He cannot. 5.

16. What number constitutes a quorum in the grand lodge?
The representatives of fifty of the chartered lodges.

17. What are the titles and rank of grand lodge officers?
See Code 14 for answer.

18. What are the titles and rank of brethren composing the grand lodge?
See Code 17 for answer.

19. Who is eligible to hold office in the grand lodge?
Only those who, at the time of election or appointment, are members in good standing of a chartered lodge in Illinois. To be eligible to the office of grand master, deputy grand master, grand warden, representative of another grand lodge or district deputy grand master, a brother must be a present or past master of a chartered lodge of Illinois. 21, 22.

20. How is the vote of lodges cast in grand lodge?
Each lodge is entitled to three votes on all questions. If the master and both wardens are present each has one vote. If two are present the highest in rank has two votes and the other one. If only one is present, he has three votes.

21. Who aside from representatives of lodges have votes?
The grand master, deputy grand master, grand wardens, grand treasurer, grand secretary and past grand masters have one vote each. Past deputy grand masters, past grand wardens and past masters have one vote collectively. 29.

22. Can a representative of a lodge vote as a grand officer?
He cannot. 30.

23. How can a roll call be secured?
Only on demand of 100 representatives of lodges. On all questions a majority shall decide except when otherwise provided by law. 32, 33.

24. How are vacancies in grand lodge offices filled?
In case of death, absence or disability of the grand master, the deputy grand master and wardens shall become acting grand master in the order of their rank. If none of the above can serve, the master of the oldest lodge shall be grand master. The office of grand master is never vacant. All vacancies are filled by the grand master. 36.

25. What are the powers of the grand lodge?
    The grand lodge may do whatever may be considered necessary to the well-being and perpetuity of ancient craft Masonry. 54 (See particularly 45-53).

26. What are the powers of the grand master?
    To see that the ancient landmarks and charges are observed, and do and perform the duties of ancient grand master agreeably to the requirements of Masonry and this grand lodge. 57 M 60.

27. What are clandestine bodies?
    Any organization claiming to have any authority, powers or privileges in Ancient Craft Masonry, not derived from this grand lodge, within the state of Illinois are clandestine. Intercourse with, or recognition of such bodies is prohibited. 42.

28. How can the constitution be amended?
    The amendment must be submitted in writing at the annual meeting, and be seconded by a majority vote. It is then certified to the lodges. If approved by two-thirds it becomes a part of the constitution by proclamation of the grand master. 79.

29. How may the by-laws be amended?
    The amendment must be proposed in writing at an annual meeting and must be seconded by twenty representatives, referred to the committee on legislation and be reported at the same or the next annual meeting. It lies over one year and adopted by a two-thirds vote. 82.

30. Can a pending amendment be amended at the time of its consideration?
    It can, so long as the proposed change is germane to the amendment. 83.

31. Can an immediate amendment be adopted?
    It can if in writing, favorably reported by the committee on legislation and receiving a unanimous vote of the grand lodge. 86.

32. How can rules of order, standing resolutions and grand lodge regulations be changed?
    At the annual meeting, by a three-fifths vote, these may be repealed, altered or amended. 89.

## GRAND LODGE BY-LAWS

37. When and where are the annual meetings of the grand lodge held?
    At Chicago beginning on the 2nd Tuesday in October of each year at 10 o'clock A. M.

38. When and for what purpose may occasional meetings of the grand lodge be held?

These are called by the grand master, or his special deputy appointed in writing, for the purpose of constituting lodges, dedicating halls, laying cornerstones, or other ceremonies requiring the aid of the grand lodge. No occasional grand lodge shall be convened on Sunday, except for masonic funerals. 102, 103.

39. Who appoints all grand lodge committees?

The grand master. 108.

40. May nominating speeches for office be made in the grand lodge?

No; nor can any name suggested be seconded. 118.

41. What force have the edicts and decisions of the grand master?

They have the force of law until the next meeting of the grand lodge and no longer unless reported on by the committee on legislation and adopted by a two-thirds vote of the grand lodge. 124.

42. Does parliamentary law apply to business in grand and constituent lodges?

It does, except where modified by special masonic provisions. The "previous question" is unmasonic. A motion to "lay upon the table", except for a specified, limited time within the probable duration of the current session of the grand lodge or a constituent, is out of order. The general rule is that no motion which has the effect of preventing each brother from being heard is in accordance with masonic law. 126, 127.

43. What form of bond is required of the grand treasurer and grand secretary?

Either a personal or surety company bond may be given. In the latter case the fee for the same may be paid out of the grand lodge treasury. 148, 150.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

49. Is the district deputy grand master subject to discipline by his lodge?

He is, except for his official acts. For these he is responsible alone to the grand master.

50. What are the duties of the district deputy grand master?

To visit each lodge in his district at least once in each year; to examine its records and accounts and fully to inform himself as to the condition of the lodge and report to the grand master in each case. He shall make annual report of the condition of Masonry in his district. 165, 166.

51. Who pays the expenses of the D. D. G. M.?
The grand lodge on itemized bills for the performance of routine duties. For special services, the grand lodge may order the lodge to pay. 165.

52. Is it necessary that a D. D. G. M. should be a grand lecturer?
It is not necessary, although frequently it is quite desirable. 164-166.

## GRAND LECTURERS

57. Who conducts the examination of applicants for commissions as grand lecturers?
The grand examiners appointed by the grand master. No fee can be charged. At least two of the grand examiners must have personal knowledge of the proficiency, fitness and qualifications of the applicant. 176.

58. What are the necessary qualifications of applicants for commissions as grand lecturers?
Each must be (1) proficient in the work, ritual and lectures authorized by the grand lodge; (2) have knowledge of the principles, laws, rules, regulations, customs and usages of the fraternity; (3) be of good moral character, unblemished reputation and exemplary habits and (4) have qualifications necessary to make him a successful teacher. 176-179.

59. Who is eligible to represent his lodge in grand lodge?
Any member in good standing. 205, 212, 213.

60. Who can visit the grand lodge?
Any Master Mason in good standing, upon proper avouchment, may occupy a seat provided for visitors, but has no voice or vote. 207.

61. Must a member of the grand lodge vote on all questions?
Yes; unless excused by the grand lodge or grand master. 209.

62. What are the requirements of a grand lecturer?
He must have a commission from the grand master and be a present or past master. 210.

63. Is there a penalty for electioneering for office in grand lodge?
It is a masonic offense. Any one found guilty becomes ineligible to office. If already an officer, he forfeits the office he holds. 211, 264.

64. Who may be the proxy of the master or wardens?
The master or warden, unable to attend the session of grand lodge, may appoint in writing any member of his own lodge in good standing. The proxy so appointed is entitled to the same privileges and subject to the same penalties as the officers appointing him.

65. Can a brother represent more than one lodge at the same time?
No. 213.

## GRAND LODGE REVENUES

70. From what sources does the grand lodge derive its revenue?
1. For dispensation for a new lodge.....$100.00
2. For dispensation to ballot on petitioner out of time and confer degree of E. A..... 20.00
3. For dispensation to confer degree of F. C. or M. M. in less than lawful time..... 5.00
4. For every dispensation for other purpose..... 2.00
5. For each member of every chartered lodge annually..... 1.00
6. For every M. M. on the roll of a lodge U. D. who is not a member of a chartered lodge in Illinois..... 1.00
218.

71. When does the fiscal year begin and end?
It begins July 1 and ends June 30 of each year. 224.

72. How are the two Homes supported?
By donations and bequests, the proceeds of the permanent trust funds, the income from the farm at Sullivan and appropriations made from the grand lodge treasury. 228-230.

73. What is necessary before an appropriation can be made from the general fund of the grand lodge treasury?
The proposition must first be considered and reported on by some committee of the grand lodge. 238.

74. How are the Homes managed?
By a board of eight members. Six of these are appointed by the grand master to serve for three years. The grand master and deputy grand master are ex-officio members. Members of the board serve without remuneration, their actual expenses only being paid. 252-256.

## BY-LAWS RELATING TO LODGES

79. What constitutes a lodge?
A lodge consists of a master, senior and junior wardens, treasurer, secretary, such other officers as its by-laws provide and such members as may be regularly admitted. No lodge can assemble unless authorized by dispensation or charter. 300, 301.

80. What is the correct designation of a lodge?
Blank Lodge No. 2000 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. This is in strict accordance with the laws of Illinois by which lodges are incorporated. The correct initials are A.F. and A.M. 307.

81. How are the powers of a lodge divided?

Into (1) the EXECUTIVE under direction of the master who is the chief executive; (2) the LEGISLATIVE, relating to the internal concerns of the lodge, whereby all laws, not in conflict with the general regulations of Masonry, its own laws and the will of the grand lodge, may be made; (3) the JUDICIAL, embracing discipline over all members (except the master) and non-affiliates within the territorial jurisdiction of the lodge. 306.

82. What disposition should be made of communications from the grand master and grand secretary?

They must be read when the lodge is open on the third degree. Quarterly circulars from the grand secretary may be placed on file without reading after their receipt has been announced. 313.

83. How is correspondence with lodges outside of Illinois to be conducted?

This is done through the grand master, except in case of emergency, such as the death of a member who is absent. 314.

84. What cannot be discussed in lodges?

All political, sectarian or other subjects not strictly masonic are prohibited in lodges in Illinois. 315.

85. Can a lodge assess its members for any purpose?

No. All assessments or special taxes are prohibited. All payments by members must be uniform and be prescribed in the by-laws. 316.

86. How can a lodge amend its by-laws?

The amendment must be submitted in writing at a stated meeting and lie over at least four weeks. Notice of the change must be sent to all resident members at least two weeks before the time of action. On a two-thirds vote the amendment can be made. 317.

87. For what may appeals for aid be made?

These must be confined to assistance for a needy, worthy brother, his widow and orphans. No Mason's obligation enjoins him to contribute to assist his own or any other lodge in erecting buildings. All appeals to other lodges for aid must be approved by the grand master. 318.

88. Can a general letter of recommendation be issued to any Mason to enable him to solicit aid?

Recommendations to itinerants are prohibited. No lodge, officer or member should give such a document. 319.

89. What is required of members in waiting on or nursing sick members?

It is the duty of Masons to respond to such calls. Lodges cannot, by standing resolutions, compel members to do so, furnish substitutes or pay to have it done. 320.

100. When and how may a special meeting be changed to a stated meeting?

When a lodge has been regularly opened on the first, second and third degrees for a special meeting on the date for a stated meeting, but at an earlier hour than that fixed by by-laws for stated meetings, at a time not less than fifteen nor more than forty-five minutes after hour for stated meetings, the master may declare further work in the special meeting dispensed with and business of the stated meeting taken up. Records must show above declaration and officers occupying various stations and places. 335.

101. How many must be present to open a lodge on any degreee?

There must be seven Master Masons. To transact any business there must be seven members of the lodge, of these the tyler may be one, if a member of the lodge. 337.

102. In the absence of the master who can open the lodge?

No one except the senior or junior warden. The master cannot authorize any one to open the lodge. 338.

103. In the absence of the master and both wardens who can open a lodge?

No one except the grand master or his special proxy, appointed in writing. 338.

104. What may be done while lodge is opened on first or second degrees?

Nothing except what pertains to the work and lectures of those degrees, or the taking of testimony upon charges preferred against an entered apprentice or fellow craft. 339.

105. Can a lodge hold meetings for work in two separate halls at the same time?

It cannot do so under the law. 340.

106. After the minutes have been approved can they be changed?

They cannot be altered or any part expunged, except by dispensation of the grand master. The "loose leaf" system cannot be used in keeping lodge records. 341, 342.

107. What notices can be sent by mail without being under seal?

All must be under sealed cover. Provided that the bare notice of the time and place of meeting and the degree conferred may be by postal card. No names of candidates or details can be given. 343.

108. Can any business be done after the conferring of degrees begins?

None can be transacted involving final action. 344.

109. How many degrees may be conferred in one day?

Not more than seven. 345.

90. Is smoking in open lodge permitted?

During the conferring of any part of the several degrees smoking is prohibited. The master is enjoined to strict enforcement of this law. 321.

91. What is the duty of Masons toward a sick and destitute sojourning brother?

The case of such is a legitimate burden on Masonry. It should be borne by Masons to the extent of their ability without expectation of pecuniary return. The burial of the dead is also a duty. Expenses incurred furnish no ground for a claim from the lodge to which a sick or dying brother may belong, unless his lodge has authorized the same. 322.

92. What is the law regarding intoxicating liquors?

Lodges shall not permit intoxicants to be used as a beverage in the lodge rooms or any of their premises. All lodges also are strictly enjoined from giving aid or countenance of Masonry to any raffle, lottery or gift enterprise. 324, 325.

93. What is necessary to the validity of any document or paper designed for masonic use emanating from a chartered lodge?

It must have an impression of the lodge seal affixed, and be attested by the master or secretary. 326.

94. When can Masons or lodges properly appear in public in masonic clothing?

Only when in the performance of a masonic duty, such as the burial of the dead, public installations, laying cornerstones, or dedicating masonic halls. Unless under dispensation from the grand master, no lodge shall appear in any public procession. Lodges cannot act as escort for any other body, even though same may be composed in whole or in part of masons. They cannot appear merely for show or to help others to make a show. 327.

## MEETINGS OF THE LODGE

99. How many kinds of meetings are there?

Stated and special.

The former is held at the time fixed in the by-laws and is for the transaction of general business.

Specials may be called by the master by giving due notice to resident members. At these no business shall be transacted except trials, conferring degrees or ceremonial observances. No lodge shall be convened on Sunday, except for funerals. 332-334.

110. How long may a lodge call from labor to refreshment?
Not beyond midnight. 346.

111. What cannot be done at special meetings for work?
Special nights to confer degrees in the uniform or dress of different organizations or trades are prohibited. 347.

112. How can a lodge change its place of meeting?
If the change affects the jurisdiction of other lodges it can only be made by special authority from the grand lodge or grand master. Request for permission must be concurred in by a three-fourths vote at a stated meeting after two weeks notice to resident members. Such removal must receive consent of all lodges whose jurisdiction is abridged thereby.
The lodge may move from one place to another, where other lodges are not affected, by a majority vote at a stated meeting, notice having been given at a previous stated meeting. A special meeting may be held for work at a hall other than the usual place within its jurisdiction on notice to resident members. 348-350.

## ELECTIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

117. What officers must be elected by ballot?
The master, wardens, treasurer and secretary. The other officers may be elected by ballot or appointed by the master, as the by-laws provide. A majority of the whole number of votes cast shall be necessary to a choice. A separate ballot must be taken for each elective officer. 358, 359.

118. In voting by ballot what is the effect of a blank?
Blanks are neither ballots nor votes and cannot be counted. They have no effect on the result. 360.

119. If a lodge fails to elect its officers at the time specified in its by-laws what can be done?
For good cause shown the grand master may issue a dispensation to elect at the earliest practicable time. The dispensation should be copied in full on the record. 361.

120. Can nominations for office be made in lodges?
They can, but no nominating speeches or seconds are permitted. Electioneering is strictly forbidden under penalty. 211, 363, 364.

121. When should officers be installed?
As soon as convenient but within thirty days from the time of election. All officers must be installed as often as re-elected or appointed. 369, 370.

122. Who is qualified to install?

Any past master who is a member in good standing in Illinois. After the master has been installed it is his right to install the remaining officers. 371, 377, 379.

123. If the master-elect is absent can other officers be installed?

They cannot. The ceremonies must begin with the master. Installation by one who is not qualified is void. 371, 376.

124. Who may be installed?

Those properly elected are appointed. Removal from the territorial jurisdiction of a lodge does not effect the right of an officer elect to be installed. Refusal or neglect to give bond disqualifies for installation. No one can be installed by proxy. 373-379.

## ELIGIBILITY FOR OFFICE

125. Who is eligible to the office of master?

Any member in good standing provided he has been elected and installed as a warden in some legally chartered lodge. 384, 385.

126. Can any one not a past master or past warden be elected as master?

In case there is no past master, past or present warden who will accept the office, any member may be elected. Such brother can only be installed, however, on dispensation applied for by written petition of the lodge, signed by the present master and wardens and resident past masters and wardens. 384.

127. Who is eligible in a lodge U. D.?

Acting as a warden of a lodge U. D. does not render a brother eligible to the office of master in a chartered lodge; but a brother named in the charter as a warden and regularily installed becomes eligible for master. 385.

128. What is the condition of a brother against whom charges have been preferred?

A brother is presumed innocent of any offense until proven guilty. Until convicted he has the same rights as though charges were not pending. He is eligible to office. The only exception is that a dimit cannot issue while under charges. 386, 591.

129. Can the standing of a brother be changed after his death?

It cannot. If in good standing he is entitled to masonic burial, if request is made. If a brother's conduct is not satisfactory while living, he cannot be tried after he is gone. 389.

130. Can a brother hold two offices at the same time?
He cannot, but he can vote and hold office in a chartered lodge and a lodge U. D. at the same time. 388.

131. Who can represent the lodge in legal matters?
A lodge is a corporation and needs no trustees. The master and wardens represent the lodge in its corporate capacity. All deeds, mortgages and other legal documents should be drawn in the name of the lodge, and should be executed by the master and wardens in their official capacity and be attested by the secretary with the seal. 390.

132. Who is required to vote on questions coming before the lodge?
Every member is required to vote, unless excused at his own request, by the master or by vote of a majority of the members present except that to excuse from voting on petitions for degrees or membership unanimous consent is necessary. The tyler, if a member, has a right to vote but may be excused at his own request. 395 par. I.

133. What is the proper course when a brother disobeys a summons?
It is the duty of the master to see that prompt discipline follows refusal to obey a summons, properly served, unless satisfactory excuse is given. 395 par. E.

134. Can appeal be taken from any decision of the master?
It is the duty of the master to permit no appeal from his decision to be made to the lodge. Complaint can be made to the grand master who, alone, has jurisdiction over the master during his term. 395 par. G.

135. What are the powers of a warden who is acting as master?
He has the same powers and prerogatives as the master when the latter is out of the territorial jurisdiction of the lodge. While thus acting, he can perform any act which the master might do were he present. 404.

136. Can a brother under charges be elected to office in a lodge?
He can. He is presumed to be innocent until proven guilty. 386.

137. Who is eligible to office, other than that of master?
Any member qualified to vote can be elected to any office in the lodge, except master. For this he must have been installed as warden. No one can hold more than one office at the same time. 387, 384.

138. Can a member who has joined in a petition and belongs to a lodge U. D. vote in the old lodge?
He can vote and hold office in both lodges at the same time. 388.

139. What are the chief duties of the master?

(1) To superintend the official acts of the other officers and see that their duties are performed.

(2) To permit no appeal to the lodge from his decision.

(3) To require that the ritual practised conform to the standard work.

(4) To have a copy of the book of laws of the grand lodge always on the pedestal in the East when the lodge is open.

(5) To convene his lodge when notified of the official visit of the grand master or his deputy, extend appropriate courtesies, and give every facility for the discharge of the duties of the official visitor. 396, 397.

140. What are the duties of the wardens?

In the absence of the master, the warden, highest in rank, becomes the acting master and may perform any act the master might do were he present. A warden cannot call a special meeting while his official superior is within the territorial jurisdicition of the lodge and able to authorize a call. 402, 404.

## LODGE FUNDS

145. Who is the official custodian of the money, securities, bonds and other fiscal property of the lodge?

The treasurer. The above property cannot be taken from his control and placed in the custody of any other person. It is provided that for good cause the lodge, by a two-thirds vote, may direct the treasurer to turn over to a representative of the lodge the temporary custody of such books and property. 409.

146. How should the funds and accounts of the lodge be kept by the treasurer?

They should be kept entirely distinct and separate from all others. If deposited in a bank the account should be in the name of the lodge or in his name, as treasurer. In no event should lodge funds be mixed with the personal accounts of the treasurer. 409.

147. How only can the treasurer pay out lodge funds?

This can be done only on the written order of the master and consent of the lodge and then only for masonic purposes. 409.

## KEEPING LODGE RECORDS

151. How should the record of members and visitors be kept?

A book may be prepared by the secretary and kept in the tyler's

room for members and another for visitors. Each should register. In all cases the names of enough members should be entered in the minutes to show a quorum present. In lodges with small attendance the names of all present should be entered in the minutes. 410.

152. By whom should the secretary's minutes be signed?
When approved by the lodge they should be signed by the master and secretary. 410. C.

153. Can loose-leaf records be used?
They cannot for the record of the business of the lodge. The financial accounts may be kept by the loose-leaf system. 342, 410 par. C.

## ACQUIRING AND SEVERING MEMBERSHIP

158. How may membership in a lodge be obtained?
There are three ways—

1. By receiving the 3rd degree and signing the by-laws in person or by proxy.

2. By a Master Mason applying for affiliation by dimit or transfer certificate and signing by-laws as above.

3. By having been named in a charter issued to a lodge U. D.
Refusing to sign the by-laws deprives the petitioner of the rights of membership. It is the duty of every Master Mason to be a member of some lodge. 416-18.

159. Can a Mason be an actual member of more than one lodge?
The law forbids dual membership. 423.

160. What is meant by honorary membership?
A lodge may by unanimous vote confer the title of honorary membership on a Master Mason who is a member of some regular lodge, his name having been proposed at a previous stated meeting. This does not confer any of the rights of actual membership. It is merely an honorary title. 423.

161. How can honorary membership be terminated?
By a three-fourths ballot at a stated meeting by giving notice in open lodge at a previous stated meeting of such proposed action, and at least ten days' notice by mail to such honorary members. 424.

162. How can lodge membership be terminated?
This can be done in four ways—
1. By dissolution of the lodge.
2. By dimit or transfer.
3. By becoming a charter member of a new lodge.
4. By death, suspension or expulsion. 429, 922-925.

## JURISDICTION OF LODGES

167. What kinds of jurisdiction do lodges hold?
Personal and territorial. 434.

168. What does personal jurisdiction embrace?
All members, except the master and grand master, when a member, are subject to the lodge wherever they may reside. All unfinished work and rejected material wherever they may be are held unless waiver is given. Rejected persons residing in another state or grand jurisdiction limited to five years. 435.

169. What does territorial mean?
All persons living nearer to the lodge are its material on original petition for the degrees. 436.

170. How is distance measured?
From lodge room to lodge room in a straight line. City, village or township lines are not considered. Corporation lines are ignored except in determning concurrent jurisdiction. 436, 437.

171. What is concurrent jurisdiction?
In cities or villages where there are two or more lodges either lodge may receive petitions from residents. 437.

172. Has a lodge power to discipline Masons temporarily or permanently residing in its jurisdiction?
For any violation of moral or masonic law a lodge may prefer charges and administer punishment to such persons. Immediate report should be made to the member's lodge if affiliated. 436, 800, 802.

## QUALIFICATIONS OF CANDIDATES

177. What are the qualifications of a candidate for the degrees?
He must have the senses of a man, be 21 years of age, able to read and write, be a believer in God and physically able to conform to what the several degrees require. 443, 447.

178. Can any of these requirements be waived?
They cannot. Neither the grand master nor the grand lodge itself can set any one of them aside by dispensation or otherwise. 443.

179. Is a colored man eligible to the degrees?
If free-born he is eligible. Masonry knows no distinction of race or color. 445.

180. What is the requirements as to residence?
The petitioner must have resided in Illinois 12 months and at least 6 months, next preceding the date of the petition, within the terri-

torial jurisdiction of the lodge. Legal residence is usually identical with masonic. 447-449.

181. What must lodge do in case candidate, after election, is found to be disqualified by lack of residence?

Fee must be returned with written statement of reasons therefor. 450.

182. Is naturalization a pre-requisite for an alien?

If otherwise qualified he may be admitted without being naturalized. 451.

183. Is a belief in God essential to admission?

It is. When a candidate declines to express such a belief he must be refused admission and his fee returned. 446.

184. Can a lodge receive the petition of a man who has been previously rejected?

Not without first obtaining the written consent of the other lodge, unanimously granted by ballot at a stated meeting, and certified under seal, in manner stated in ans. to Ques. 216. If petition was rejected by lodge in another grand jurisdiction within convenient reach by correspondence, consent as above stated must be obtained, unless after due diligence to communicate with such lodge no reply be received for ninety days, in which case a lodge may proceed without consent of other lodge. 452, 475.

185. What physical defects do not disqualify a candidate for the degrees?

Loss of sight of one eye, necessity to wear a truss. 453, 454.

186. Should Masons solicit persons to petition for the degrees?

It is contrary to the principles of the institution to solicit any one to become a Mason. All should come of their own free will and accord. 459.

187. Who, only, can recommend petitions for degrees or for membership?

They must be members of the lodge and each must have personal acquaintance with the petitioner. 461.

188. How is a petition received by a lodge?

By voice of the lodge tacitly or formally given, or the lodge may by majority vote refuse to receive it. 462.

189. How must names of investigating committee be announced?

They must be announced in open lodge at the meeting at which the petition is received. 463.

## PETITIONS AND COMMITTEES

194. What are the duties of a committee to whom a petition is referred?

Each member shall see the applicant in person and make diligent inquiry as to his moral, mental and physical qualifications and as to his proper residence. 464.

195. How should the committee make report?

Each member makes private verbal report to the master. The nature of the report shall not be entered on the record. A majority of the committee is not sufficient. Each one must report. 465, 467.

196. What notice to other lodges of the receipt of petitions for the degrees must be given?

In city or town where there is more than one lodge, the secretary must give notice in writing to all lodges in such city or town of all petitions for degrees received or rejected, stating name in full, age, occupation and residence of petitioner. This notice must be given promptly, and at least twenty days before ballot can be taken on the petition. 466.

197. What part of petition must be read to lodge by master before balloting thereon?

So much of the petition as gives candidate's name, age, occupation and residence, the names of the brethren recommending him, and those on the investigating committee, and the nature of their report and to what extent they agreed. 468.

198. Can the master remove a member of an investigating committee and appoint another in his place?

Yes, but in such cases the ballot shall not be taken before the next stated meeting after the new member has been appointed and announced in open lodge. As to form and contents of petition for membership see 469, 470, 471.

199. What qualifications are required of entered apprentices or fellow-crafts for advancement?

None of the qualifications for original petitions shall apply to those who seek advancement in their own lodges. If in another lodge all requirements are applicable. 472.

200. When applicant who has received E. A. degree or E. A. and F. C. degrees in lodge not having territorial jurisdiction, petitions lodge having jurisdiction, must he again pass the ordeal of the ballot?

Yes. 473.

201. Where an Entered Apprentice or Fellow-Craft moves into Illinois from another state can he petition for the remaining degrees?

He can upon receiving waiver from the lodge originally receiving his petition. 474.

202. Can a petition be sent by telephone or telegraph?
It cannot. All petitions must be in writing signed by the applicant. 460, 477.

203. Can a petition be withdrawn?
After a petition for the degrees has been received by the lodge it cannot be withdrawn, except for want of jurisdiction or disqualification. An application for affiliation may be withdrawn on written request of the applicant. 478.

## WAIVER OF JURISDICTION

208. How can waiver of jurisdiction be obtained?
Application must be made in writing and lie over until the next stated meeting. The vote must be by ballot and be unanimous; except in cases of advancement of E. A. and F. C. which may be by show of hands and a majority vote. Waiver thus granted is permanent. 484, 486-488.

209. Who makes the application for waiver?
The lodge to which the petition was presented. No lodge shall request waiver of a rejected candidate until one year has elapsed. 485, 489.

210. In case of refusal how often can the application for waiver be renewed?
On petitions for the degrees it may be renewed after one year. In other cases at pleasure though not oftener than three times in any one year. 491.

211. Can a lodge impose conditions as to waiver?
If the waiver is granted, it becomes absolute and the applicant on election becomes a member of the lodge to which waiver is given. 492, 494.

212. Should a lodge request another to do work for it on a candidate of which lodge is he a member?
He would be a member of the first lodge. The work done would be by courtesy. 493.

213. Can a lodge rescind its action after waiver is granted?
Action is final, but request to do work can be rescinded. 495.

214. When a rejected candidate moves into the jurisdiction of another, which lodge can receive his petition?

Neither, without waiver from the other. One has personal, the other territorial jurisdiction. 497.

215. When a lodge becomes defunct how can an Entered Apprentice or Fellowcraft advance?

He can petition and be elected in the nearest lodge, which acquires jurisdiction.

216. In case of concurrent jurisdiction how can waiver be obtained?

Application should be made to the lodge nearest to his residence. If two or more are equally near, request may be made of the oldest. Request for such waiver shall be referred to an investigating committee, notice given to all lodges holding concurrent jurisdiction, and ballot taken at the next or some subsequent stated meeting, not less than four weeks after such notice. 499.

## BALLOTING ON PETITION

221. When can a ballot on a petition for the degrees or membership be taken?

Only at a stated meeting, at least four weeks after petition is referred to the committee, except by dispensation by the grand master. At least seven members must be present and vote. 504.

222. What vote is required on all petitions?

One unanimous ballot elects to all the degrees. Each petition must be voted on separately and all members present must vote, unless excused at his own request by unanimous consent separately given to each member so excused, provided, however, the master may excuse the tyler at his request. The ballot must be taken whether report of committee is favorable or unfavorable. 505, 506, 508, 509, 512.

223. What is the rule regarding the secrecy of the ballot?

The right of every member to a secret ballot is inherent and absolute. This cannot be questioned by the master, grand master or grand lodge. Any attempt to ascertain how any member voted is an offense and may be followed by discipline. 510, 511.

224. Is there any remedy for voting from unworthy motives?

Any member proven to be actuated by unworthy motives, or who shall willfully use the ballot to interrupt the legitimate labors, or to mar the harmony of the lodge, or shall expose the character of his own ballot at any time shall be liable to discipline and punishment. 511.

225. When a ballot is in progress can it be suspended or postponed or interrupted by the admission or withdrawal of any brother?

No; but brethren may be permitted to enter or retire between ballots on different candidates. 513.

226. Can the merits or demerits of candidates be discussed in open lodge?

They cannot. The secret vote is the only expression of opinion. 514.

227. When can a second ballot be taken?

Only when one black ball appears. The master may order a second vote to make sure that no mistake has been made. The result of which shall be final. When the petitioner has been declared rejected this cannot be set aside by the master, grand master or Grand Lodge. The result only, either "elected" or "rejected," shall be announced and recorded. After result is announced no reconsideration of the ballot can be had. 515-517.

228. When does a lodge lose personal jurisdiction over a candidate rejected for the degrees?

Never, except when he removes into another state. Then it is lost after 5 years. 435, 524.

229. How often may a petition for the degrees be presented?

Only after expiration of one year from date of rejection. 523.

230. How often may a petition for membership be presented?

As often as the applicant chooses. He can petition that or any other lodge without regard to time or place. 525.

## OBJECTION AFTER BALLOT

235. Who can object to the initiation of a candidate after he has been elected?

Any Master Mason who is a member of a lodge. The objection to be effective must be made before the order is given to prepare him. When objection to initiation is made by a member of the lodge, it bars for one year, after which candidate may be initiated unless objection is renewed. The objector's identity shall not be revealed nor his reasons be demanded. The fact of objection shall be recorded in the minutes. 535, 536, 538.

236. Does rejection of petition for membership affect the petitioner's masonic standing?

No. 526.

237. What is the duty of the lodge to a petitioner whose petition has been rejected?

To return the petition fee, and distinctly inform him of his rejection. Secretary in person, if practicable, should give this information. 527.

238. Is it permissible to inform any person not a Mason, (except the petitioner) of the rejection of a petition?

It is not. To do so is a masonic offense and subjects offender to masonic discipline. Concealing from his lodge the fact of such previous rejection, or knowingly assisting or recommending for initiation a previously rejected petitioner without lawful permission of said rejecting lodge shall subject offender to masonic discipline. 528, 529.

239. Should candidate who has received degrees by false representation or deception be punished?

He should be brought to trial and punished, if found guilty. 530.

240. What effect does an objection to advancement have upon an E. A. or F. C.?

The reasons may be demanded. If they are found to be insufficient he can proceed in spite of the objection. If the objections are deemed sufficient to stay the degree the candidate shall be entitled, on demand, to a trial on the same. 544.

## FEES FOR DEGREES

245. What are the minimum fees for degrees?

In cities under 50,000, $30.00; over 50,000 and under 200,000, $50.00 and over 200,000, $75.00. 552-555.

246. When one lodge confers a degree for another what fee shall be charged?

The fee required by the lodge for which the work is done. The question of which lodge shall have the fee shall be decided before the work is done. 554.

## CONFERRING DEGREES

251. How long can a candidate delay appearing for initiation?

If he waits more than one year he will be required to petition again, unless, for good cause, he is excused by a majority vote of the lodge. There is no limit of time for an E. A. and F. C. to appear for advancement. 556.

252. Can a degree be conferred on any person who declines to conform to any requirement of masonry or to the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge?

No. 561.

253. What proficiency must be shown to entitle a candidate to advancement to F. C. or M. M. degree?

He must pass a satisfactory examination in open lodge, unless the grand master grants a dispensation. After examination and retirement of candidate, master may declare whether suitable proficiency has been shown, or he may permit the matter to be determined by majority vote of the lodge. 562.

254. Can a candidate receive more than one degree on the same day?

No, except by dispensation. 264.

255. How shall lodge determine whether it will confer F.C. or M.M. degree for another lodge legally requesting same?

By a majority vote at a stated meeting. 565.

256. When can a lodge request another lodge to confer the first degree?

Only at a stated meeting after notice at the preceding stated and an unanimous vote. 566.

257. What ritual must be used in conferring degrees?

Only that adopted by the grand lodge and taught by authorized grand lecturers, and no part of the work shall be omitted, abridged or shortened.

258. What parts of the work can be given to more than one candidate at the same time?

Only explanatory parts of E.A. degree, second section of F.C. degree, the historical account in the M.M. degree and the charge in each degree. 568.

259. Is it permissible to own or use a cipher ritual or alleged exposed?

The possession or use of a cipher or alleged expose of the esoteric work is a masonis offense subjecting the offender to the severest masonic penalty. 569.

260. Is the use of a stereopticon allowable?

No stereopticon or illustration is allowable in M.M. degree previous to marble monument. 570.

261. Is there a time limit to advancement to F.C. or M.M. degree?

No; advancement must be of candidate's own free will and accord. 571.

262. How may ritual or work adopted by Grand Lodge in 1913 be changed?

Only by formal affirmative action of grand lodge by two-thirds vote at an annual meeting. 572.

## PRIVILEGE OF VISITING

267. Who may visit a lodge?

It is the privilege of every Master Mason to visit any regular lodge, subject to the right of objection by any member. So long as the objector is present he cannot remain. Reasons for objection cannot be required. A D.D.G.M. who is making an official visit cannot be excluded by objection. 576, 577, 582, 583.

268. When is a visitor required to produce documentary evidence?

Unless he is properly vouched for he must produce written evidence as to the name and number of his lodge, take test oath and pass examination before he can be admitted. 578.

269. What is meant by legal information in vouching for a visitor?

This can be obtained in three ways—

1. By sitting together in a regular lodge.
2. By an examination authorized by the proper officer.
3. By one Mason definitely stating to another, the three being present, that the visitor is a Master Mason. 579.

270. Does sitting in a chapter, commandery or other body furnish legal information?

It does not. Masonry knows no other source of information than a regular lodge of Ancient Craft Masons. 581.

271. Is a mason justified in vouching for another without knowing that he is in good standing?

He is not. He should be satisfied that the visitor is in good standing. 580.

272. Are all lodges required to use the official receipt for dues furnished by the grand lodge?

They are. No other receipt is legal or furnishes the necessary documentary evidence for visitation. 586.

## DIMITS AND RESIGNATIONS

277. Are there any conditions required for a dimit?

Application must be made in writing, signed by applicant, be presented and read at a stated meeting, and lie over until the next or some subsequent stated meeting, when, if dues are paid to date of application and no formal or written charges are pending against him, dimit shall issue. 591.

278. Can application for dimit be withdrawn?

Yes, if requested in writing, at any moment before announcement that dimit is granted. 592.

279. When does a dimit take effect?

From the date on which it is granted.

280. After a dimit is granted can a brother retain his membership by refusing to receive it?

He cannot if the same has been legally granted. His membership terminates with the action of the lodge. The dimit is only the evidence of such action. If the dimit should be lost the secretary should issue a duplicate. 593, 594, 595.

281. Can an E.A. or F.C. be given a dimit?

He cannot, but a certificate of his status may be issued. 596.

282. Who cannot be dimitted?

The master and wardens after installation. If elected, but not installed, dimit can issue. A brother, though acquitted on charges, cannot be dimitted while an appeal is pending. 597, 599.

283. In what cases can the master or warden dimit, resign or take part in formation of a lodge U. D.?

When physically or mentally disqualified, or when permanently removed from the jurisdiction of the lodge on presentation to the grand master a vacancy may be declared. The vacancy may be filled by a special election. All other officers can resign at pleasure. 599, 600.

284. Can a dimit be granted to a brother who has been declared insane by a court?

While insane he is legally dead. No dimit can be granted. 601.

## TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

289. How can a brother change his membership by transfer?

Notice shall be read at a stated meeting and lie over to the next or subsequent stated. If no charges are pending and dues paid four months in advance, a transfer certificate under seal of the

secretary shall be issued. This transfer certificate may be presented with petition for affiliation within two months from its date. If he is not elected within four months from the date of the certificate, it becomes void and his membership remains in the original lodge and he pays dues therein. 606.

290. What is the object of the transfer certificate?

To enable a Mason to change his membership without running the risk of being rejected and thereby becoming non-affiliated.

### NON-AFFILIATES

295. What is the status of a voluntary non-affiliate?

After one year he is deprived of the rights and privileges of Masonry. Should he petition for membership and be rejected he remains in good standing in the fraternity for another year. He can petition at any time and as often as he chooses.

296. What are the rights and privileges of which a voluntary non-affiliate is deprived?

He shall not be permitted to take part in any of the ceremonies of the lodge, nor be entitled to masonic burial or appear in a masonic procession or celebration. Neither he nor his family shall have any claim on the fraternity for pecuniary aid in case of distress. 611-614.

### SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS

301. How can lodges apply for special dispensation to confer degrees?

The request shall emanate from a lodge at a stated meeting by unanimous vote. All applications for dispensations for other special purposes emanate from the master. 619-622.

302. Can a dispensation be issued for a lodge to attend religious services at a church or elsewhere?

It cannot. Lodges only appear in public in the performance of a masonic duty. 621.

### NEW LODGES

307. What vote is required to consent to the formation of a new lodge?

Two-thirds, after lying over from one stated meeting to another, and notice mailed to all resident members. 637.

308. What and how many lodges are required to consent to forming a new lodge?

The three nearest, where there is no concurrent jurisdiction, without regard to corporate lines. Where jurisdiction is concurrent, any three of the six nearest, and any outside of the city, where the jurisdiction is abridged. Application may be made to all six. 638.

309. Can a dispensation for a lodge U. D. be granted outside of a city or village, having three or more lodges, with consent of fewer than three lodges?

The grand lodge, by recommendation of the grand master, may grant dispensation on the recommendation of two lodges. 639.

310. Does joining in a petition for a dispensation for a new lodge sever a brother's membership in the chartered lodge of which he is a member?

No; he is liable for dues to the new lodge from date of dispensation and to the chartered lodge to the date of the charter issued to the new lodge. 646.

311. When does the fiscal year of all constituent lodges begin?

On July first of each year.

312. What is the penalty for failure of a lodge to make returns to G.L. and pay G.L. dues by Aug. 15th of each year?

The representative of such delinquent lodge shall not be paid mileage or per diem. If the failure continues for two years the charter shall be suspended. 668, 659.

## CHARTERED LODGES

317. What are the annual grand lodge dues and how divided?

The sum of $1.00 for each member. Of this 55c go into the general fund and 45c into the charity fund, used mainly to support the two Homes. 667.

318. How can a lodge be discontinued?

1. By voluntary surrender of its charter. This cannot be done as long as seven Master Masons, members of the lodge, desire to continue.

2. By revocation of the charter by the grand lodge. No charter shall be revoked or suspended, except for cause, after due notice and an opportunity to be heard. 674-677.

319. In case a charter is revoked or suspended what becomes of the lodge property?

All goes to the grand lodge and the proceeds become part of the charity fund. 678.

320. What effect does the revocation of a charter have upon the members?

The nearest lodge acquires jurisdiction over all material. Members in good standing can get certificates and affiliate with any lodge they may select. 680-685.

321. When lodges cease to work for six months how is jurisdiction over material affected?

The nearest lodges may act upon petitions unless the grand master notifies them to the contrary. 681.

322. When a lodge ceases to exist, after having taken action on any matter, what lodge can take steps to complete the work?

The lodge acquiring jurisdiction by being nearest to the defunct lodge. In case of the advancement of an E. A. or F. C., he cannot become a member without being elected in the regular way. 682.

323. How can lodges be consolidated?

The proposal to consolidate shall be presented at a stated meeting of each lodge and acted upon at a subsequent stated. All resident members must have due notice. A unanimous vote in each lodge of members present shall be necessary. A new charter is issued bearing the number of one of the lodges and the name agreed upon. The title to all property vests in the consolidated lodge. 691-693.

324. Does absence of charter from the lodge room invalidate the actions taken?

The laws contemplate that the charter shall be kept in the lodge room at all meetings, but, if temporarily absent, transactions otherwise legal would be valid. 699.

325. How can a lodge change its name?

By resolution introduced at a stated meeting and going over to a subsequent stated, with due notice to all resident members and a two-thirds ballot of all members present. This action must be reported to the grand secretary. On this the grand lodge, at its next annual session, may consent to the change. 701.

## SUMMONS AND NOTICE

330. How must a summons be served?

In person. If sent by mail it becomes merely a notice. 706, 707.

331. What is the difference in effect between a summons and a notice?

A notice may be disregarded as pleasure. A summons duly is-

sued and served must be obeyed under penalty, unless satisfactory excuse is given. 708.

332. For what purposes should a summons be issued?

Only for purposes of importance to the lodge or Masonry. 710.

## USE OF NAME AND EMBLEMS

337. What use can be made of masonic emblems?

Only for masonic purposes. Masonic emblems and devices on business cards or signs by way of advertisement are strictly forbidden. 715.

338. Can the masonic name be used for business purposes?

No Mason shall give the masonic name to any business concern, association or calling, organized or prosecuted for profit or for a livelihood. Neither shall he be a party to its use. The only exception to this is the printing or publishing of masonic books, papers or periodicals, or the manufacture and sale of masonic supplies. 716-717.

## AS TO DISCIPLINE

343. Over whom does a lodge have disciplinary jurisdiction?

For violation of moral or masonic law each lodge has jurisdiction over its members (except the master and grand master when a member) and all non-affiliates residing or sojourning within its territorial limits. 800.

344. To which lodge is an unaffiliated Mason amenable when he lives in the jurisdiction of one lodge and his place of business is in the jurisdiction of another?

He is amenable to either lodge for any masonic offense committed in its jurisdiction. 801.

345. Whose duty is it to prefer charges?

Any member may prefer charges but it is the special duty of the junior warden in the absence of other accusers. 803.

346. May a suspended Mason be tried for unmasonic conduct?

Yes; and if offense warrants, greater punishment may be inflicted. 804.

347. Can the status of a Mason at the time of his death be afterwards changed?

No, nor can a lodge by its by-laws deprive a brother of his rights except as the result of a trial and judgment. 805.

348. Is it permissible to publish in a newspaper, magazine, pamphlet or circular, or otherwise make public, the details or result of a masonic trial?

No. 806.

349. Should visitors be present during a trial?

Their presence is at the option of the master of the lodge. 807.

350. How long after an offense is committed can charges be brought?

At any time, there being no statute of limitations. 808.

351. If a brother charged with unmasonic conduct is at the time in duress, must lodge wait for trial until term of imprisonment of the accused expires?

No. After giving due notice and reasonable time to prepare his defense, the lodge may proceed without his presence. 809.

352. Can a Mason who is acting as counsel for the accused in a trial be excluded on objection?

He cannot, as he is not considered a visitor. 810.

353. Is court record of conviction of the accused of the same offense sufficient?

No, but it may be introduced as a part of the evidence. 811.

354. Whose duty is it to secure the attendance of the witnesses?

The accused and the accuser must secure the attendance of their respective witnesses. 814.

355. What is the effect upon the masonic standing of a brother who is under charges?

His status remains unchanged until he is convicted. He is presumed innocent until proven guilty. 819.

356. What are masonic offenses?

These are unlawful and immoral conduct, particularly acts which tend to impair the good name of Masonry, and violations of masonic obligations, by-laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge. 824.

357. How far may difficulties of a business nature be the basis of charges?

Unless fraud is clearly charged lodges cannot take cognizance of transactions of a legal character, growing out of business difficulties. They cannot be used as collection agencies. 825.

358. What is the duty of the master if charges are presented involving political or religious controversy?

He should prohibit the introduction of any charges, oral or written, involving questions of partisan politics or sectarian religion. 826.

359. Must charges of unmasonic conduct be in writing?

Yes, and they must specify with reasonable certainty the character of the offense alleged, the time and place of its commission as nearly as practicable, be signed by the accuser, who must be an affiliated Master Mason in good standing. If charges are too vague, the master should refuse to proceed until they are made more specific. 831, 832.

360. Can charges be received at special meetings?

They can only be received at stated meetings, except by authority of the grand master in emergent cases. 837.

361. After charges have been accepted by the lodge how can they be withdrawn?

Only by a two-thirds vote and for cause shown. 843.

362. Can charges be amended after they have been accepted?

By a majority vote charges can be amended on due notice to the accused. 844.

## AS TO TRIALS

367. Can a brother be tried in his absence?

After due notice he may be tried. If notice was by mail, one stated meeting shall intervene. A competent brother should be appointed to represent the accused in his absence. He serves without fee. 860.

368. How can a trial by commission be secured?

After charges have been accepted by the lodge by a majority vote, the accused or accuser may request a commission. The grand master may grant the request and appoint a commission of three disinterested and experienced members of other lodges outside of the jurisdiction of the trial lodge. The grand master may at his discretion refer any lodge trial to a commission. 865.

369. What powers have the commissioners?

To summon witnesses (through the master and secretary,) try the case and render judgment. 867-870.

370. What is the effect of the decision by the commission?

It is the same as the action of the lodge after trial. If the accused is found guilty, report is made to the secretary, a record made and the accused notified. The sentence takes effect as soon as reported. 870-871.

371. Can appeal be taken from the finding of the commissioners?

It can, precisely as in case of appeal from action of the lodge. 872.

### AS TO WITNESSES

376. How do witnesses testify?

If Masons, on their honor as such. If not Masons, under oath administered by an officer of the law. 881-882.

377. Who decides upon the relevancy of testimony in a trial?

The master when trial is by the lodge. If before a commission the commissioners decide as to the competency of the evidence. 883-900.

378. When is testimony taken by committee?

Witnesses who are Masons may testify in open lodge or a committee may be appointed to take and report all testimony. The evidence of persons who are not Masons can only be taken by a committee. 888.

379. How shall the vote on guilt or innocence be taken?

By written ballot. Each one present is required to vote on each charge and each specification. A two-thirds vote of those present is necessary to convict. 912-914.

### AS TO PUNISHMENT

384. How many kinds of punishment are prescribed?

There are four—expulsion, indefinite suspension, definite suspension or reprimand. The vote must be taken in above order by written ballot, two-thirds being necessary to decide. 921.

385. What is the effect of the different grades of punishment?

1. Expulsion deprives the delinquent and family of all rights, privileges and benefits. He can only be restored by the grand lodge.

2. Indefinite suspension leaves him as a member under disabilities, deprived during such suspension of all rights and privileges as in case of expulsion. The lodge can reinstate.

3. Definite suspension is the same as indefinite but is for a fixed time. At the expiration of the time the brother is reinstated without action of the lodge.

4. Reprimand is the least punishment and must be administered in open lodge by the master. It does not deprive the brother of any

of his rights and privileges. 429, 922-925.

386. Can a Mason be expelled for non-payment of dues?
He cannot. Suspension is the only punishment. 926.

## EXPENSES OF TRIALS AND APPEALS

391. Who pays the expenses of a trial?
Where the lodge or junior warden as such prefers charges the expenses of procuring witnesses for the prosecution and taking and reporting the testimony is borne by the lodge. When charges are made by an individual he bears the above expenses. The expense of procuring and taking evidence for the defense must be borne by the accused. Where a brother certifies in writing that he is too poor to pay his expenses, the lodge may, by a majority vote, pay them. 932.

392. In case of appeal who pays the expense of making the transcript of the record?
The party taking the appeal. 933-940.

393. Can a lodge pay attorney fees in trials?
It cannot in any case pay any part of fees of counsel of either side out of the treasury of the lodge. 941.

394. Is there any way by which a lodge can create life memberships?
There is none. The payment of dues is obligatory on all members and cannot be waived. In case of poverty, they may be remitted after they have accumulated. They cannot be remitted in advance. Life memberships, in existence when the law was passed prohibiting them, were not disturbed.

## PAYMENT OF DUES

399. Is law requiring dues to be paid in advance valid?
The payment in advance is purely voluntary. No member can be suspended for any dues except those that have already accrued. 946, 947.

400. How can notice to pay dues be served when a member's residence is unknown?
A written notice mailed to his last known residence is deemed sufficient. The lodge can proceed in his absence. 951-953.

401. Can a brother ever be summoned to appear to pay dues?
In extreme cases the master may order a summons issued. If he

fails to answer, when properly served, he may be tried for disobedience of the summons and expelled. In ordinary cases mere notice, as prescribed, is all that is necessary for suspension, by a two-thirds vote. 954.

402. Do dues continue to accrue during suspension?

They do not. On reinstatement the brother pays the amount due when suspended. 958.

403. Where a brother gives a note to the lodge for his dues, on failure to pay, can he be suspended?

Accepting a note makes it a purely business transaction. He cannot be suspended for non-payment of the note. 960.

404. Is an insane brother required to pay dues?

A brother who has been legally declared to be insane is not chargeable with dues. The lodge is not required to pay grand lodge dues on such. When insane he is legally and masonically dead. 962.

## APPEALS

409. Who can appeal from the action of a lodge?

Any brother under disciplinary proceedings, his accuser or any member of the lodge has the right of appeal. 969.

410. What notice is required in cases of appeal?

Within 90 days from the date of the decision, notice must be given. The case must be filed with the grand secretary 30 days before the grand lodge session. 971-974.

411. What is the scope of the grand lodge's action on appeal?

The grand lodge action is final. 975-977.

## REINSTATEMENT

416. Can a lodge reinstate an expelled Mason?

Only the grand lodge has the power to restore one who has been expelled. This is only to good standing in the fraternity and not to membership in any lodge. A certificate of reinstatement issued by the grand secretary serves as a dimit. 982-983.

417. How can a brother indefinitely suspended be restored to good standing?

He may petition the lodge and on a two-thirds vote by secret ballot can be reinstated. This may be to membership in the lodge or to good standing in the fraternity, as the lodge may decide. 988.

418. If a lodge refuses to reinstate a member suspended for non-payment of dues, what becomes of the sum paid as back dues?

The amount paid must be returned to the petitioner for reinstatement. 992.

419. What vote is required to reinstate for definite suspension?

None. When the time limit comes he resumes membership without action of the lodge.

### AS TO DISCIPLINE OF MASTER

424. Can a lodge discipline a master for unmasonic conduct?

Not until his term has expired. This is only for personal conduct. His official acts cannot be questioned. 1005.

425. Where the grand lodge or grand master deposes a Master from office is he deprived of the rights and privileges of lodge membership?

He is not. He may then be tried for personal misconduct during his term. 1007.

426. How can a master be disciplined for misconduct during his term of office?

Complaint should be made to the grand lodge, if in session, or to the grand master in vacation. The grand master may name a commission to investigate and report the facts in the case. On this, action may be taken. A brother cannot be deprived of the rights and privileges of Masonry beyond the next session of the grand lodge. 1008.

427. Who pays the expenses of this commission?

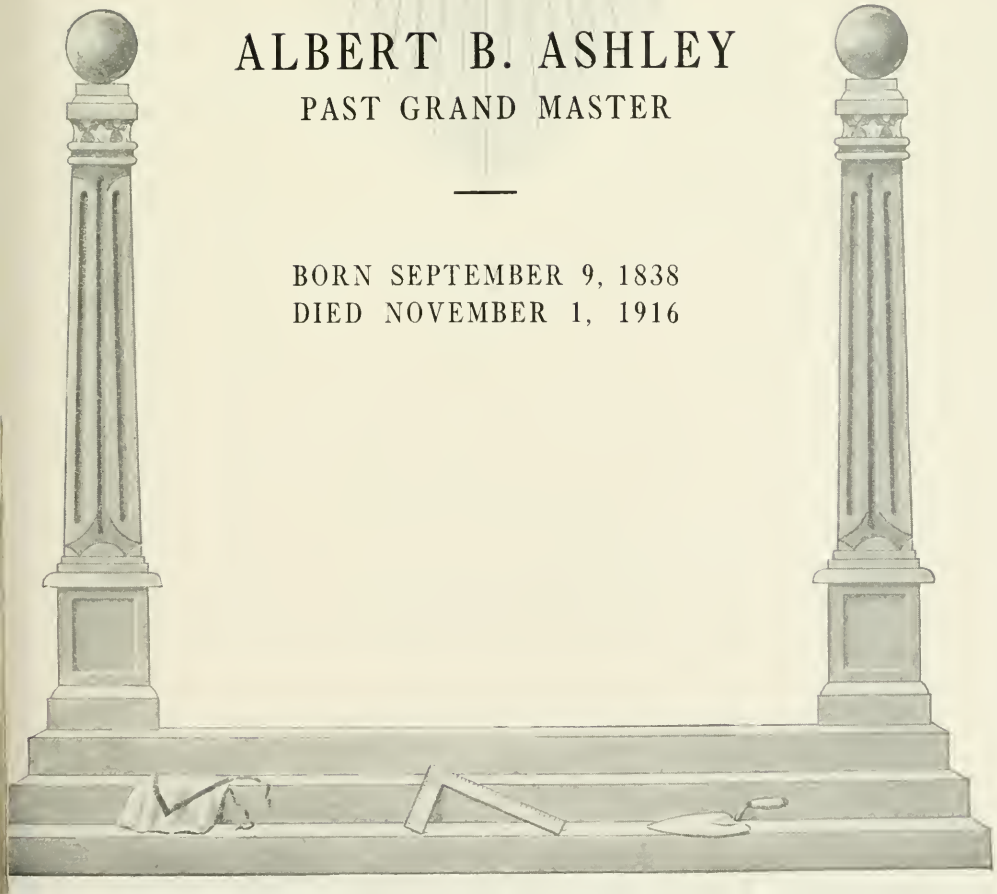
The expenses shall be pro rata as ordered by the grand master. 1009.




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BORN SEPTEMBER 9, 1838
DIED NOVEMBER 1, 1916






# MASTERS AND PAST MASTERS OF ILLINOIS

**HARMONY LODGE NO. 3**

EDWARD PAYSON KIRBY.....February 25, 1917

**MACON LODGE NO. 8**

GEORGE WILBUR BRIGHT.....April 7, 1917
CHARLES LELAND HOVEY.....March 1, 1917

**PEORIA LODGE NO. 15**

CHARLES H. BROWN.....June 25, 1917
FRANK E. BEEBE.....May 1, 1917

**CLINTON LODGE NO. 19**

JEP. P. GROSBOLL.....December 29, 1916

**PIASA LODGE NO. 27**

WM. A. HASKELL.....July 13, 1916

**OLIVE BRANCH LODGE NO. 38**

WILLIAM JAMES CALHOUN.....September 19, 1916

**MT. JOLIET LODGE NO. 42**

FERDINAND MUNCH . . . .....January 31, 1917

**BLOOMINGTON LODGE NO. 43**

GEORGE ROGERS SMITH.....April 21, 1917




**TEMPLE LODGE NO. 46**

ALEXANDER HEARST .....September 7, 1916

**SAINT MARK'S LODGE NO. 63**

FRANK WENDELL BUELL.....October 13, 1916

**HAVANA LODGE NO. 88**

OSCAR H. HARPHAM.....September 7, 1916
EDGAR A. WALLACE.....October 10, 1916

**JERUSALEM TEMPLE LODGE NO. 90**

WILLIAM K. WOOD.....October 25, 1916

**PERRY LODGE NO. 95**

JOHN E. MORTON.....January 29, 1917

**TAYLOR LODGE NO. 98**

JOHN WATSON .....September 24, 1916

**VERMONT LODGE NO. 116**

HENRY M. COX.....June 4, 1917

**ELGIN LODGE NO. 117**

WILLIS HENRY NEWTON.....March 19, 1917

**GREENUP LODGE NO. 125**

W. H. TRENT.....December 20, 1916

**GREENFIELD LODGE NO. 129**

EDWIN A. BELKNAP.....June 18, 1917




**MARSHALL LODGE NO. 133**

WM. T. MARTIN, SR.....January 11, 1917

**A. W. RAWSON LODGE NO. 145**

CHESTER H. LATHAM.....October 11, 1916

**LEE CENTER LODGE NO. 146**

THOMAS NICHOLSON .....October 8, 1916

**CLAYTON LODGE NO. 147**

ELI BRADNEY BALL.....March 10, 1917

**BUNKER HILL LODGE NO. 151**

NELSON P. FROST.....May 26, 1917

**URBANA LODGE NO. 157**

JOSEPH OSCAR CUNNINGHAM.....April 30, 1917
HENRY WILLIAM ROUGHTON.....November 26, 1916

**HOPE LODGE NO. 162**

WILLIAM SIMPSON WALLACE.....March 3, 1917

**EVERGREEN LODGE NO. 170**

JOSEPH L. SMITH.....February 23, 1917

**GIRARD LODGE NO. 171**

ARTHUR L. WOLFE.....December 11, 1916

**LENA LODGE NO. 174**

J. M. SCHERMERHORN.....March 27, 1917




**MATTESON LODGE NO. 175**

JOHN BERNARD FITHIAN.....March 8, 1917

**STAUNTON LODGE NO. 177**

JOSIAS R. RIPLEY.....April 23, 1917
ALBERT W. UZZELL.....June 8, 1917

**WABASH LODGE NO. 179**

FRANK WOOLDRIGE .....September 30, 1916
JOSEPH C. CAVINS.....April 28, 1917

**ABINGDON LODGE NO. 185**

GEORGE W. CLINE.....October 2, 1916

**FLORA LODGE NO. 204**

SOLON PERRY HILL.....March 14, 1917

**LOGAN LODGE NO. 210**

FRANK R. GAY.....January 13, 1917

**CLEVELAND LODGE NO. 211**

JOHN McLAREN . . .....July 26, 1916

**NEW SALEM LODGE NO. 218**

WILLIAM R. HOOPER.....December 26, 1916

**HORICON LODGE NO. 244**

JAMES S. PATCHEN.....September 6, 1916




**HEYWORTH LODGE NO. 251**

JOHN NEWTON BATTERSHELL.....September 10, 1916

**MATTOON LODGE NO. 260**

GEORGE WASHINGTON SHAW.....May 18, 1917

**VERMILION LODGE NO. 265**

JOHN W. OSMAN.....December 19, 1916

**LEVI LUSK LODGE NO. 270**

THOMAS A. MAUL.....No date given

**BLANEY LODGE NO. 271**

CHARLES RAPELEY GROUT.....April 18, 1917

**MINERS LODGE NO. 273**

WILLIAM FREDERICK BIESMANN....September 8, 1916

**JO DAVIESS LODGE NO. 278**

STEPHEN A. CLARK.....January 22, 1917

**METEOR LODGE NO. 283**

DAVID VAN RENSAELLER.....November 14, 1916

**WATAGA LODGE NO. 291**

CARLTON W. PALMER.....September 11, 1916

**QUINCY LODGE NO. 296**

STEPHEN PALMER BARNES.....April 14, 1917




**DEARBORN LODGE NO. 310**

WM. LEITES .....May 12, 1915

**KILWINNING LODGE NO. 311**

CHARLES B. OTT.....March 26, 1917

**WINDSOR LODGE NO. 322**

ISAAC H. GILPIN.....May 3, 1917

**SUMMERFIELD LODGE NO. 342**

CHRISTIAN DITTWEILER .....April 26, 1917

**FLAT ROCK LODGE NO. 348**

JAMES T. LINDSAY.....February 1917

**HERMITAGE LODGE NO. 356**

JOSEPH WHITE .....June 29, 1917

**TONICA LODGE NO. 364**

LOUIS A. KAISER.....December 18, 1916

**LIVINGSTON LODGE NO. 371**

ANDREW HANSEN .....October 8, 1916

**KANKAKEE LODGE NO. 389**

WILLIAM IRVING HOLCOMB.....March 10, 1917

**BLAIR LODGE NO. 393**

SAMUEL F. WHITE.....June 22, 1917
CHARLES JAMES BLUM.....January 3, 1917




**JERSEYVILLE LODGE NO. 394**

JOHN GRIFFITH ERWIN.....September 16, 1916
JOHN N. STONE.....January 11, 1917

**KINMUNDY LODGE NO. 398**

JOHN W. DOOLEN.....December 9, 1916

**BUDA LODGE NO. 399**

ALBERT D. BOAL.....August 22, 1916

**HESPERIA LODGE NO. 411**

CHARLES LICHTENBERGER .....November 15, 1916

**MARSEILLES LODGE NO. 417**

DAVID SAMUELS, SR.....September 24, 1916

**FREEBURG LODGE NO. 418**

PHILLIP A. CONRATH.....December 23, 1916

**OREGON LODGE NO. 420**

JOHN NUGENT .....May 15, 1917

**LANDMARK LODGE NO. 422**

EDWARD S. THOMAS.....April 29, 1917

**EXETER LODGE NO. 424**

LUKE FUNK .....February 14, 1917

**SUNBEAM LODGE NO. 428**

DAVID M. BAIRD.....March 26, 1917




**CHEBANSE LODGE NO. 429**

ALEXANDER McKENZIE .....March 23, 1917

**CAVE IN ROCK LODGE NO. 444**

FRED SCHULTZ .....July 1916

**LOAMI LODGE NO. 450**

JOSEPH JONES .....August 21, 1916

**BROMWELL LODGE NO. 451**

BYRON TRAVIS .....January 23, 1917

**MAROA LODGE NO. 454**

WARNER J. COMPTON.....January 28, 1917

**PALMYRA LODGE NO. 463**

LA FAYETTE PIERCE SMITH.....November 28, 1916

**KENDALL LODGE NO. 471**

JOHN FITZGERALD .....February 21, 1917
JOHN McORNBEE .....June 21, 1917

**COLUMBIA LODGE NO. 474**

MADISON G. NIXON.....January 12, 1917

**BOWEN LODGE NO. 486**

ELIAS CHARLES ROCKENFIELD.....December 8, 1916

**CLAY CITY LODGE NO. 488**

DAVID GREEN TILLEY.....June 9, 1917
JOHN T. EVANS.....February 4, 1917




**COOPER LODGE NO. 489**

GEORGE W. RANSDELL.....September 16, 1916

**SAINT PAUL'S LODGE NO. 500**

JAMES LANE HARGITT.....October 1, 1916

**ODIN LODGE NO. 503**

JOHN JAMES FYKE.....November 26, 1916
SAMUEL D. PHILLIPS.....January 5, 1917

**JOHN D. MOODY LODGE NO. 510**

JOSEPH A. HINDMAN.....January 2, 1917

**BRADFORD LODGE NO. 514**

HARMON PHENIX .....February 26, 1917

**ANDALUSIA LODGE NO. 516**

SAMUEL KENNEDY .....September 16, 1916

**ILLIOPOLIS LODGE NO. 521**

EDWIN MYERS .....December 15, 1916

**MONITOR LODGE NO. 522**

ELMER DAVID HOWELL.....February 7, 1917
WILLIAM SMAILES .....April 25, 1917

**CHATHAM LODGE NO. 523**

JAPH KNOTTS .....September 26, 1916




**COVENANT LODGE NO. 526**

GORHAM B. COFFIN.....December 23, 1916

**OAK PARK LODGE NO. 540**

NELSON M. BASSETT.....January 5, 1917

**SHARON LODGE NO. 550**

PETER W. REYNOLDS.....July 27, 1916

**LONG POINT LODGE NO. 552**

JAMES CHARLES HUETSON.....June 11, 1917

**LELAND LODGE NO. 558**

ISAAC W. FLOOD.....October 13, 1916

**GARDNER LODGE NO. 573**

WILLIAM W. McMANN.....October 24, 1916

**PERA LODGE NO. 574**

AUGUSTUS P. MORSE.....April 4, 1917

**PRINCETON LODGE NO. 587**

LORTON L. ACKERSON.....February 20, 1917

**WATSON LODGE NO. 602**

WILLIAM C. BRADLEY.....March 29, 1917

**LINCOLN PARK LODGE NO. 611**

JOSEPH RUDOLPH SMITH.....May 22, 1917




**WADLEY LODGE NO. 616**

C. R. WARWICK.....March 11, 1917

**BUCKLEY LODGE NO. 634**

WILLIAM A. B. TATE.....November 1916

**PEOTONE LODGE NO. 636**

JAMES BARNHART .....October 5, 1916

**KEYSTONE LODGE NO. 639**

EDWIN C. LAMBACH.....April 24, 1917

**D. C. CREGIER LODGE NO. 643**

GEORGE D. STRECKER.....October 20, 1916

**ROCK ISLAND LODGE NO. 658**

HERBERT B. HAYDEN.....July 1917

**A. O. FAY LODGE NO. 676**

DAVID M. ERSKINE.....October 21, 1916

**GARFIELD LODGE NO. 686**

EDWARD WOOD PETERSON.....July 10, 1917

**ENGLEWOOD LODGE NO. 690**

JOHN WESLEY GROSS.....March 24, 1917

**EWING LODGE NO. 705**

JOHN MILTON DARR.....November 16, 1916




**STAR LODGE NO. 709**

WM. J. SWANSON.....March 31, 1917

**PROVIDENCE LODGE NO. 711**

ROBT. E. PEET.....October 20, 1916

**CALUMET LODGE NO. 716**

FRED GEO. DIEFENBACH.....April 17, 1917

**GOLDEN RULE LODGE NO. 726**

CHARLES WESLEY KERSTETER.....March 23, 1917

**WATERMAN LODGE NO. 728**

WARREN T. WILTBERGER.....July 31, 1917

**LAKE CREEK LODGE NO. 729**

JOHN BOYER .....July 6, 1916

**HARBOR LODGE NO. 731**

ALEXANDER RICHARD BECK.....September 20, 1916

**SHERIDAN LODGE NO. 735**

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.....September 26, 1916

**AKIN LODGE NO. 749**

JOHN T. ESSANY.....April 30, 1917
ENOCH SUMMERS .....May 7, 1917

**MYSTIC STAR LODGE NO. 758**

CHARLES E. BROWN.....January 3, 1917




**SIBLEY LODGE NO. 761**

HENRY D. YOUNG.....September 16, 1916

**GRAND CROSSING LODGE NO. 776**

JOHN MICHAEL REIN.....December 16, 1916
LOUIS A. PIERCE.....September 7, 1916

**RAVENSWOOD LODGE NO. 777**

CHAUNCEY FRANK NEWKIRK.....September 18, 1916

**WRIGHTS GROVE LODGE NO. 779**

FREDERICK HENRY LEIFERMAN.....April 15, 1917

**SILOAM LODGE NO. 780**

JOHN HENRY PEETZ.....March 7, 1917

**CATLIN LODGE NO. 285**

TRACY W. BUCKINGHAM.....June 27, 1916

**MYRTLE LODGE NO. 795**

LEONIDAS THOMAS .....January 5, 1917

**SIDELL LODGE NO. 798**

JAMES G. RICE.....January 28, 1917

**KENWOOD LODGE NO. 800**

ARTHUR JOHN STEVENS.....May 5, 1917

**S. M. DALZELL LODGE NO. 805**

R. A. SMITH.....August 20, 1916




**NEW CANTON LODGE NO. 821**

JAMES H. RAINWATER.....May 13, 1917

**GROVE LODGE NO. 824**

WM. V. CARPENTER.....September 28, 1916

**MAZON LODGE NO. 826**

GEORGE P. THOMAS.....February 8, 1917

**SEQUOIT LODGE NO. 827**

EDMUND H. AMES.....March 7, 1917

**WHEELER LODGE NO. 883**

WILLIAM C. HARNED.....February 11, 1917

**GIL W. BARNARD LODGE NO. 908**

ENOCH LAWSON .....April 18, 1917

**COMPASS LODGE NO. 922**

WILLIAM LIGHT .....April 18, 1917

**CANDIDA LODGE NO. 927**

CHESTER HAMLIN BRISCOE.....May 11, 1917

**GRANT PARK LODGE NO. 928**

JOHN HENRY COLE.....July 24, 1916

**TABLE GROVE LODGE NO. 939**

WM. T. FOSTER.....January 28, 1917




## OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

**ARIZONA**

ALONZO BAILEY .....February 14, 1917
Past Grand Master

**CONNECTICUT**

JAMES McCORMICK .....June 24, 1917
Past Grand Master

**FLORIDA**

SAMUEL PASCO .....March 13, 1917
Past Grand Master

JAMES CARNELL .....June 17, 1917
Past Grand Master

**IDAHO**

JONAS WARREN BROWN.....September 16, 1916
Past Grand Master

**INDIANA**

GEORGE E. GRIMES.....January 30, 1917
Past Grand Master

ALFRED W. EMERY.....April 12, 1917
Past Grand Master




**KANSAS**

BESTOR GASTON BROWN.....July 10, 1917
Past Grand Master

J. JAY BUCK.....September 3, 1917
Past Grand Master

WILLIAM MITCHELL SHAVER.....July 6, 1916
Past Grand Master

**KENTUCKY**

WILLIAM HENRY MEFFERT.....April 10, 1917
Past Grand Master

JAMES WILLIAM HOPPER.....May 8, 1917
Past Grand Master

HOWARD ROYAL FRENCH.....September 11, 1917
Past Grand Master

**MANITOBA**

GEORGE WELLINGTON BAKER.....September 1, 1917
Past Grand Master

**MICHIGAN**

ABRAHAM T. METCALF.....October 28, 1916
Past Grand Master

JAMES H. FARNUM.....January 19, 1917
Past Grand Master

**MISSISSIPPI**

JOHN SILAS BROOKS.....March 17, 1917
Past Grand Master




**MISSOURI**

CAMPBELL WELLS .....December 14, 1916
Past Grand Master

**NEBRASKA**

ZUINGLE M. BAIRD.....December 17, 1916
Past Grand Master

**NEW YORK**

EDWARD M. L. EHLERS.....May 28, 1917
Past Grand Master

WILLIAM A. BRODIE.....May 10, 1917
Past Grand Master

**NEVADA**

WILLIAM McMILLAN .....July 21, 1917
Past Grand Master

**NORTH CAROLINA**

JOHN C. DREWRY.....October 2, 1916
Grand Secretary

**NOVA SCOTIA**

WILLIAM MARSHALL BLACK.....May 9, 1917
Past Grand Master

**OHIO**

WILLIAM JOSEPH AKERS.....March 23, 1917
Past Deputy Grand Master




**OKLAHOMA**

LEO EDMUND BENNETT.....May 31, 1917
Past Grand Master

**PENNSYLVANIA**

GEORGE WILKINS GUTHRIE.....March 8, 1917
Past Grand Master

**TEXAS**

ARCHIBALD WILLIAM CAMPBELL.....April 1, 1917
Past Grand Master

**VIRGINIA**

HENRY KNOX FIELD.....July 31, 1917
Grand Master, 1917

**WEST VIRGINIA**

WILLIAM GEORGE BENNETT.....November 8, 1916
Past Grand Master

NEIL ROBINSON .....November 11, 1916
Past Grand Master

**WYOMING**

HARRY C. SNYDER.....November 23, 1916
Junior Grand Warden

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# APPENDIX PART I

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE

## PREFACE

Henry Fielding has suggested the following classification of writers:

1. Those who sit down to write what they think:

2. Those who sit down to think what they shall write; and

3. Those who do not think, either before or after they sit down.

If this be accepted as an appropriate scheme of classification, the writer of the following pages must perforce concede to each reader the prerogative of placing him according to his (the reader's), judgment.

The writer, however, ventures to express the hope that those who love him may find it consistent with their notions of the eternal fitness of things to place him in either the first or second class, and as to all others, he has made up his mind that he will not be made very unhappy, wherever he may be located by them.

With heartfelt gratitude to the craft, both at home and abroad for the measure of favor with which the report for 1916 was received, this second annual review is submitted, and if the brethren shall derive from its perusal, in any considerable degree, the pleasure and profit realized by the writer in the preparation thereof, the writer will be more than satisfied.

Whatever defects may be found in the report the author hopes to be acquitted of the sin of laziness, as he has diligently studied the proceedings treated, particularly the addresses of the several grand masters and grand orators, and reports on correspondence, and the report reflects the best account of what these, and other sources of information considered, contain in his power to construct, keeping within the scope of a review.

To all those readers who may think that the report contains a superabundance of quotations, it is suggested that there is an-

other class of readers who like to hear from grand masters, grand orators and grand correspondents in their own language,—at least a part of the time.

To that class of readers who may think that the report is overdone in the way of comment by the author, it is suggested that there is another class of readers who entertain the notion that fraternal comment, and timely criticism (not impertinent fault-finding), add materially to the value of a review.

To that class of readers who may think that the report is too voluminous, and contains an account of too many details, it is fraternally suggested that there are others who desire a report as full and complete as practicable, and their tastes could not be entirely disregarded.

Finally, those readers who may find the report tedious and tiresome on account of the fact that matters are discussed, or mentioned, which properly belong in the domain of the fixed and settled, having been by action of governing bodies regularly passed upon and decided, and generally understood and acquiesced in, are courteously reminded that this report is primarily for the information,—and if possible, entertainment—of the masters and wardens of lodges under the obedience of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, for this present year of grace, 1917, many of whom have not had opportunity to familiarize themselves with masonic usage and jurisprudence, and the rules controlling administrative practice by grand lodges.

With sincere and fraternal regards to every member of every lodge of the original plan on earth, and with special greeting to the brethren of the "Round Table," who are accounted of "The salt of the earth," masonically speaking, the writer has the great honor to subscribe himself,

CHARLES H. MARTIN,
*Committee on Correspondence.*

Bridgeport, Ill., Oct., 1917.

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
# MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE
NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTEEN

CHARLES H. MARTIN

## ALABAMA—1916

557 LODGES | 96TH ANNUAL | 28,596 MEMBERS
1,196 MINISTERS

A full page picture of the grand master, Brother Walter Smith, adorns the fly-leaf of the volume of proceedings of this grand lodge.

The annual meeting was held at Montgomery, December 6, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers. Seven past grand masters added dignity and tone to the assemblage, and the representatives of fifty foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother William W. Daffin, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's annual address fills twenty-seven pages, and gives an account of his official activities during the term, and expresses his views on several matters. Under the head of "Necrology" he says—

While the past year has not deprived us of any of our officials, still the cold hand of death has been laid upon many of our dear brethren, and they have passed over to the Great Beyond.

Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, he mentions Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

The grand master reported eight decisions, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence and the grand lodge save two, which were disapproved. One failing to pass muster is as follows—

8. Notice having been properly given that a proposition would be considered at a certain meeting for the sale of an undivided interest in the real property of the lodge, and that meeting resulted in the agreement to sell a different interest in the property than that named in the notice, the sale is legal, and deed executed under that agreement would convey the full interest sold, so far as the masonic lodge was concerned.

In its dissent from this holding the committee assumed that the meeting held was a special meeting, and that if it was, the holding of the grand master was at variance with a standing edict of the grand lodge to the effect that no business can be transacted at a special meeting other than that specified in the call. It may have been a special meeting of the lodge, but it does not appear to be necessary to assume that it was, but even if it was a special meeting, the grounds upon which the grand master was reversed are rather narrow and technical.

In Decision number 4, the grand master held that—

A lodge need not remit the three dollars required for, * * * a F. C. degree conferred upon a minister of the gospel, where such degree is conferred gratuitously.

In No. 5 he decided that—

In cases where lodges charge ministers of the gospel one-half fees for initiation and advancement, one half of the three dollar fee for the F. C. degree should be paid to the grand secretary, instead of the full amount.

In dissenting from Decision No. 5, the Committee on Jurisprudence pointed out that the section of their constitution fixing the fees for the degrees, provides that three dollars of the fee paid for the second degree shall inure to, and be appropriated for, the benefit of the masonic home, and that therefore, if any fees whatever are paid by clergymen, three dollars of the fees paid for the second degree must be reported by the lodge, and paid into this fund. It is, perhaps, a mistake to practice the discrimination above intimated in favor of ministers, and it is a matter of doubt with many of us whether such discrimination reflects any credit either upon Masonry or the clergymen.

The grand master reported the issuance of five dispensations to form new lodges, two dispensations permitting lodges to change place of meeting, and eight to continue work until this communication of the grand lodge, their charters having been either lost, destroyed or forfeited. Also, twenty-three dispensations permitting lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as fixed by their by-laws, and one authorizing a lodge to sell an undivided one half interest in its property to another fraternal organization were issued. A grand lodge having a law rendering the last mentioned dispensation necessary ought to repeal it, as it is an unwarranted restriction, and infringement on the rights of lodges. The grand master reported the laying of eight corner stones,—all by proxy.

Above five pages of the address are filled with what the grand master was pleased to say under the topic, "Masonic Home." Among other things he said—

As to the financial condition of the home I must impress upon you that the home is in need of funds which must be supplied by you during the present session. * * * The home is of course in need of additional rooms

to care for those whose applications to be admitted as residents have been approved, and who are now on the waiting list, there being no room to accommodate them. * * *

It appears that at date of report of the Board of Control there were at the home, an enrollment of 9 men, 28 women, 34 boys and 56 girls. It further appears from the report of said board, that the operating expenses during the last year amounted to $22,895.24 of which the sum of $12,386.00 was derived from the per capita tax, $3,000.00 from fellow craft fees, and the balance from divers sources.

The grand master reported his attendance upon the meeting of the Washington Memorial Association at Alexandria, Va., and took occasion to commend the project. He says—

My opinion is that this association may, and probably will in time serve as the nucleus for the establishment of a nation-wide education of the tenets of Freemasonry, and I can see many ways in which all of the grand lodges will be benefitted by upholding the association, retaining their membership, and sending delegates to the meetings, etc. * * *

The grand master reported the receipt of a resolution, preceded by four portentous whereases, adopted by one of the lodges of his obedience, reporting the fact that prior to the recent primary election, a circular letter, printed on what appears to be the official letter-head of the Grand Lodge of Alabama, and signed by the grand secretary, indorsing a certain candidate for a state office, had been extensively circulated throughout the state, and calling upon the grand master to take such action as he deemed proper. This resolution was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and was accompanied by a letter from the offending candidate (lately), who had, as it appears, obtained the personal indorsement of Brother George A. Beauchamp, the grand secretary, in his political contest, which indorsement was written on plain paper, but the letter transmitting it was written on a grand lodge letter-head, and both the indorsement, and the letter of transmission were embodied in a campaign circular, and given extensive publicity. In this letter from the late candidate, the blame was laid upon his wicked campaign manager, who, as the letter states, is not a Mason. If the letter had gone further, and admitted that the candidate himself is not much of a Mason, few would have contradicted him. The committee, and the grand lodge, found that the explanations in the letter exonerated the grand secretary from blame, but were insufficient to clear the candidate, and as he found it convenient to be absent from the meeting of the grand lodge the matter was continued as to him.

Immediately following the delivery of the grand master's address, and its reference to the committee, an address was delivered by past grand master, Brother James A. Bilbro, on the "Principles of Masonry," which

by order of the grand lodge is printed in the proceedings, and is well worthy of being preserved. Among other things, he well said—

This grand lodge recognizes the value of a knowledge of the work, and would commend its study to the craft. It ought to be learned perfectly. But, brethren, its value is not simply being letter perfect in it. Its great value is in the spirit the lessons are designed to inculcate, so that when they are learned the question is not so much whether the brother is 100 per cent perfect in them, but whether, having learned the work, he is 100 per cent a Mason; whether he is 100 per cent in the practice of temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice; whether he is 100 per cent in charity. It is far better to be 100 per cent in the spirit of Masonry and zero in the unwritten work, than to be 100 per cent in the unwritten work and zero in the spirit of Masonry.

All of which is very true, and the distinguished brother will pardon the suggestion that no one more keenly appreciates its truth than a letter perfect ritualist, who has ordinary common sense and intelligence.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $14,363.50 on account of the General Fund, and the sum of $13,153.50 on account of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

The same report shows a net gain in membership, during the year of 680.

Upon recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, it was resolved that the grand lodge, some time during the year 1917, celebrate in a suitable but simple manner the anniversary of the founding of the Grand Lodge of England, and the grand master was empowered to appoint a committee of which he shall be chairman, to determine the manner, time, and place of this celebration, and to make the necessary arrangements therefor.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence, the applications of the Grand Lodges of Argentina, and France, for fraternal recognition and an exchange of representatives were denied.

On the report and recommendation of the Committee on Dispensations three new lodges were granted charters, and four were continued under dispensation. A resolution was adopted, as follows—

Resolved that the fraternal thanks of the grand lodge are tendered to our sisters of the Order of the Eastern Star of Alabama for their untiring assistance in the work of our masonic home. We feel that their devotion to the work, their efforts in its advancement, have contributed largely to its present condition of usefulness. We greet our sisters as faithful co-laborers in a great cause, etc. * * *

Brother Walter Smith, grand master, and Brother George A. Beauchamp, grand secretary, were both re-elected.

There is a report on foreign correspondence, written by Brother Oliver Day Street, consisting of 219 pages of well prepared matter. Our brother,

although this is his first effort, has some definite ideas as to what a report should contain. In his introduction he says—

There has long been a difference of opinion whether it should be in the form of a discussion of those topics regarded as most interesting and important to the craft, disregarding all considerations of locality, or whether it should consist of reviews of the masonic doings in each separate jurisdiction. In the hands of a master with abundance of time for the work, the topical form has some distinct advantages, but it also presents many serious difficulties and objections. After weighing all considerations, pro and con, your present committee has decided to discontinue the topical plan, followed for two years by its predecessor, and to revert to the almost universal practice of submitting its report in the form of a review of the several jurisdictions. The existence at this time of so many excellent masonic journals renders the topical form less advantageous, perhaps, then it was. * * * Our effort has been to report only such matters as are of general interest or permanent value, bearing in mind that what will be of interest to one will not always be so to others. * * * Past observation convinces us that a very small per cent of our members ever see this report. If the purpose is to gather and disseminate information, how can this information be gotten into the hands of the craft generally? * * *

We have noted that several grand lodges have adopted the plan of printing, in advance of the annual communication, a sufficient number of copies of the report to furnish one to each attendant upon grand lodge. Undoubtedly this plan would be a great improvement on the present one. * * *

This has long been the plan in Illinois.

Brother Street reviews the Proceedings of Illinois for 1915, and is most fraternal and gracious in his treatment, allotting to us eight of his pages.

He rightly says—

The address of Grand Master Henry T. Burnap is greatly to be praised for the brief yet comprehensive manner in which he reviews the masonic activities of a great jurisdiction like that of Illinois.

He takes note of what is said in the address, concerning our "tuition controversy," with the school board at La Grange; concerning clubs adjacent to lodges; concerning the report of the Committee on Music; and the Washington Memorial. Our brother intimates that he is not altogether in sympathy with the views of Grand Master Smith, anent this memorial, as in this review noted, as—after noting what Brother Burnap said thereon he says—

While by no means objecting, we confess to an inability to enthuse on this subject. Is it certain that in thus honoring Washington, Freemasonry seeks not to honor itself? Much as we cherish the name and memory of Washington as a great soldier, statesman and man, we are painfully aware than thousands, now gone to their rewards, less known as men, but more deserving as Masons, can never be thus honored. We could name at least a dozen such in Alabama, etc. * * *

This is quite possible true,—but—

Our brother should remember, however, the excellent opportunity this Washington Memorial project affords to Brother Thomas J. Shryock of Maryland, to enrich masonic literature by the effusive eloquence characterizing the many eulogies he has set himself to deliver upon the great Washington. This distinguished brother has some reputation as a *stayer,* but he should be given an opportunity to demonstrate his versatility, and of course we should all "*enthuse*" over this project. Other reasons why this project should succeed might be suggested.

Our brother mentions and commends the adoption of the code for masonic trials, reported by the Committee on Appeals and Grievances; the arrangement for a funeral service in cases of cremation; and our efforts to regulate the use of the term "masonic" for advertising and business purposes.

Of the review he justly says—

The report is by Brother Owen Scott. It is an excellent review of the proceedings of 67 grand lodges, etc. * * *

It may be strongly suspected that our brother is an ex-"school marm," as he takes occasion to lecture Brother Scott, and the rest of us, on grammar, saying—

Brother Scott departs from custom, and spells Masonry with a little "m," and Freemasonry with a little "f." His rule does not seem consistent. We think Brother Scott in error and that Masonry and Freemasonry, as the proper names of a society or organization should begin with a capital. We agree with him that in masonic writings there is a too profuse use of capitals, etc., etc. * * *

This writer cannot answer for Brother Scott authoritatively in this matter, but has reason to suspect that Brother Scott, like himself, left the question of capitalization to the printer. The printer has both a dictionary, and a grammar, and if the rules of Lindlay Murray and Noah Webster are fractured in these pages, the printer shall bear the blame.

Our brother in a note says that since writing his report, proper, he received a copy of the Joseph Robbins Memorial, and adds—

The book before us contains 163 pages, and is largely devoted to setting forth in his own words the views and ideas of Brother Robbins concerning things masonic. At the same time it gives us enough of the human element of his character to make us regret that we never knew him in the flesh. * * *

The volume is a worthy tribute to a very distinguished man and Mason, and does great credit both to the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and the committee who compiled it. It is a valuable addition to any library.

The next annual meeting will be held at Montgomery, December 5, 1917.

Grand Master, Brother Walter Smith, Tuscaloosa; Grand Secretary, Brother George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery.

## ALBERTA—1916

93 Lodges 11th Annual 7,166 Members

A pamphlet consisting of 150 pages contains the printed account of the activities of this grand lodge, the volume being embellished by the full page likeness of Brother S. Y. Taylor, retiring grand master, clothed in resplendent regalia of the English pattern, gauntlets, and all.

The annual meeting was held at Banff, on May 31, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. There were present, also four past grand masters, and the representatives of nineteen foreign grand bodies, Brother M. M. Downey, answering for Illinois.

The first matter attended to upon opening was to order the grand master to send a cablegram to the king, in part as follows—

The Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Alberta, now in session, humbly desires at this time to assure His Majesty the King, of its loyal fealty to his august person, and to the Empire, etc. * * * We hereby renew our assurance to His Majesty that the Freemasons of Alberta remain ready and willing to perform their duty to their king and empire, etc. * * *

This is calculated to remind one of the story of the Irishman whose attention being called to the sublime spectacle of the pouring of the mighty volume of water over the falls of the Niagara, by way of reply said—

What the h—ll is to hinder it?

The grand master's address covers twenty-three pages, and contains his report of his official acts and doings for the year. In the opening he said—

The year has been an eventful one, particularly on account of the mighty conflict which is now waging on the continent of Europe. * * * During the year peace and harmony have prevailed within our subordinate lodges. Not a single appeal has been made to me in this regard. Our annual records show a net increase in membership of 494, which is highly satisfactory when we consider the fact that so many of our brethren have enlisted for service at the front, that in some instances it has been difficult to properly officer the lodge; 10 per cent of the total membership in this province have joined the ranks of the Canadian expeditionary forces.

Under the head of "Necrology" the grand master said—

Forty brethren of our own jurisdiction have been called from this sublunary abode to the Grand Lodge above. Eight of these fell on the field of battle bravely defending the honor and integrity of the empire. * * *

Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, mention is made of Brethren Edward Cook, and William H. Scott, past grand masters of Illinois.

Under the head of "Visitations" he reported that he had during the year visited officially forty-six of the lodges under his obedience, and says—

Through the kind co-operation of the officers interested, I succeeded in arranging for joint meetings in many instances, and thus had the pleasure of meeting the officers and brethren of nearly all the lodges in this jurisdiction.

He reported the issuing of dispensations for, and the instituting of four new lodges during the year. One corner stone was laid, and one hall dedicated by the grand master.

Forty-seven special dispensations were issued during the year of which seventeen were for the purpose of permitting lodges to attend divine service in lodge regalia, and the balance were for divers other purposes of about the same importance. Seven new lodges were constituted. Six decisions were reported, two of which relate to physical qualifications and are as follows—

Is a person eligible to become a member of a masonic lodge by initiation who has lost the four fingers of his left hand at the third joint, leaving the hand and thumb intact?

The grand master decided that such candidate was eligible.

Is a returned soldier eligible for initiation into the order who has lost his left arm at the shoulder?

The grand master decided in the affirmative, provided he was

Supplied with an artificial limb so that he can comply with the requirements of the work.

Both of these are deemed to be at variance with the landmark as to physical qualifications, as the same is construed by most grand lodges.

Another decision was reported as follows—

Has a subordinate lodge the power to levy special assessments on members, besides their regular annual dues, and to suspend members for the non-payment of such assessments, if they pay their regular annual dues?

The grand master correctly decided that this could not be done.

Following the grand master's address are the reports of the eleven district deputy grand masters, severally, and they tend to show that Masonry is in a very fair state of prosperity, and that practically every lodge was visited officially.

The grand treasurer's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $8,328.57 of which $3,513.50 was on account of dues and the balance was on account of war relief funds, and other sources.

The following is extracted from the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry—

We cannot help but note that the lodges which show least progress along some lines are the lodges which in our opinion are either too small in

numbers, or have too large a membership. We do not wish grand lodge to take any drastic action to limit the rights of the lodges, but simply point out the facts. * * * We however feel that grand lodge has a duty in seeing that no lodge should be granted a charter until it is shown such lodge has a sufficient membership to warrant its continuance. * * *

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters and New Lodges, it was ordered that five new lodges be granted charters, and that the application for charter by one lodge be referred to the grand master.

Two matters appearing in the proceedings are not, at this great distance, susceptible of explanation, to-wit: It appears that—

A very interesting and instructive address was then delivered by R. W. Bro. Rev. G. W. Kirby, grand chaplain. * * *

It was ordered by the grand lodge that this address be printed in the proceedings, but, sure enough, it does not appear. Again, Brother Geo. H. Hogbin, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, submitted a report, and said—

The proceedings of those sister grand lodges received have been briefly reviewed. * * * Following the custom of a majority of grand lodges we recommend that the reviews be appended to the report of our proceedings.

The record further shows that; it was resolved that—

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence be received and adopted.

But the review is not to be found in the volume which reached this table.

Brother E. T. Bishop, of Edmonton, was elected grand master, and Brother Col. George Macdonald, of Calgary, was re-elected grand secretary.

The next annual meeting will be held at Banff, May 24, 1917.

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## ALBERTA—1917

95 Lodges 12th Annual 7,504 Members

The volume of the proceeding of this grand lodge is adorned by a full page photograph of the retiring grand master, Brother E. T. Bishop, and the annual meeting was held at Banff, commencing May 30th, 1917. The grand lodge was opened in ample form and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Five past grand masters were in attendance, and the representatives of twelve foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Illinois not of this number.

The grand master delivered a brief address, reporting the activities of the year. He reported the constituting of five new lodges, pursuant to pre-

vious action of the grand lodge. Under the topic, ''Visits,'' the grand master said—

I have made over thirty visits to the lodges, and have succeeded by means of joint and individual meetings in visiting forty-seven lodges, etc. * * * whereupon a list of such lodges is reported.

The grand master reported the issuing of five dispensations to form new lodges, and from the report of the grand secretary it appears that he issued eighty-nine special dispensations to lodges, eighteen of which were for the purpose of permitting lodges to attend divine service in lodge trappings; twenty-nine to permit lodges to hold special installation services; fourteen permitting the conferring of degrees out of time, and the balance for divers other purposes of about the same consequence.

Concerning ''Rulings'' the grand master said—

On one matter only have I expressed an opinion which might be considered in the nature of a ruling. That is on the authority of the grand master to issue dispensations for the initiation of a person not physically perfect. I have expressed the opinion that the grand master has no jurisdiction in the matter, as neither by prerogative right nor by a power conferred on him by the constitution has he the right to alter an ancient landmark.

The grand master recommended action by the grand lodge on the matter of physical qualifications, by legislation or resolution, in consonance with his ''Ruling,'' but the Committee on Grand Master's Address disagreed with him, expressing the opinion that the matter should not be left to the lodges to determine.

The grand master also recommended that the grand lodge authorize the printing of the ritual. Remarkable to say, the same committee agreed with the grand master on this proposition, and recommended that the grand lodge authorize the printing of five hundred copies of the ritual for distribution. In the matter of these two propositions the grand master was, perhaps, exactly right half the time, but the committee managed to get wrong on both propositions, and one is left to guess as to what was done by the grand lodge. The record shows that it was ordered that—

The report of the Committee on Grand Master's Address be received and discussed clause by clause. After a very full discussion, and with some amendments to recommendations made, etc., * * * the report was adopted.

No intimation is given as to the character of the amendments.

Concerning the ''War'' the grand master said, in part—

The outstanding events of the war the last twelve months have been the Russian revolution and the entry of the United States as a combatant. From the one will eventually come strength and a purer purpose; from the other has come a conviction beyond all doubt of the ultimate triumph of those ideals for which we are fighting. Now, as truly as in the dark days of the Civil War, is the great American Republic fighting for that ''Government of the people, by the people and for the people,'' for which their im-

mortal president prayed. Never before in the world's history has there been such an inspiring spectacle of mighty nations united in the great contest for the freedom of free peoples; never has there been anything so near approaching that actual brotherhood of man for which we feared to hope. But now, through the clash of armed nations the dream of the poet may yet become the business of the statesman. * * *

The rather voluminous reports of the twelve district deputy grand masters follow the grand master's address, in the proceedings, and tend to show careful supervision, practically all the lodges having been visited. The table of returns from lodges shows a net gain in membership during the year of 338.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year on account of the General Fund of $8,708.47 and on account of the Home and School Fund of $1,239.95.

Pursuant to the report of the Committee on Charters and New Lodges, it was ordered that two new lodges be granted charters, and that one be continued under dispensation.

Brother W. M. Connacher was elected grand master, and Brother S. Y. Taylor, past grand master, was elected grand secretary.

The retiring grand master was by the grand lodge presented with an elaborate set of past grand master's regalia of the English type.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported the receipt of the protest of the Regional Grand Lodge of the Philippines, against the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, and a letter from Brother George R. Harvey, of Manila, concerning the same, and recommended that—

As the Grand Lodge of Alberta is not in fraternal relations with the Spanish Grand Orient we have not received any communication from them, and recommend that the letter from M. W. Brother Harvey be placed on file.

In the report of the same committee it is further said—

We are in receipt of a communication from the secretary of the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Panama asking that fraternal recognition be granted to them and an exchange of representatives arranged. As the documents furnished with regard to the formation of this grand lodge and the constitution adopted by them is (are) printed in Spanish, your committee request that further time be granted, etc. * * * *

The recommendations were adopted by the grand lodge.

There is a review of the proceedings of other grand lodges, written by Brother S. Y. Taylor, past grand master, which consists of seventy pages of well digested notes. In his opening our brother says—

We regret that owing to sickness and other unavoidable circumstances we were unable to complete the review of the proceedings of every grand lodge with whom we exchange fraternal relations, and we trust that any

brethren of the "Round Table" who look in vain for that which would particularly interest them, will pardon the omission which we regret much more than they.

It is a matter of regret that Illinois finds no place in our brother's report.

Brother W. M. CONNACHER, Grand Master, Calgary; Brother S. Y. TAYLOR, Grand Secretary, Calgary.

## ARIZONA—1917

25 LODGES 35TH ANNUAL 2,876 MEMBERS

The attractive appearing volume of printed proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by full page portraits of Brethren Frederick Wellington Perkins, retiring grand master, and Benjamin Titus and Alonzo Bailey, both past grand masters, and both deceased.

The annual communication was held at Phoenix, commencing February 13, 1917, instead of Nogales, as had been intended, this change having been rendered necessary by the fact that such a large number of United States troops were quartered in the latter city, that the officers and their families were in the occupancy of all the available rooms at the hotels and boarding houses, so that accommodations for lodging and diet of the members of the grand lodge could not be obtained. The grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers. There were present thirteen past grand masters, and the representatives of forty-two foreign grand jurisdictions, the envoy of Illinois, Brother Artemus L. Grow, of this number.

Reverently, the grand master opened his address, by saying—

Through the kindness of our Heavenly Father, we are permitted to again meet as members of a great and noble order, and review the work of the past, and plan for a greater future.

Under the topic, "Necrology," announcement was made of the death of Brother Benjamin Titus, and of many brethren of local prominence. Among the distinguished dead of "Sister Jurisdictions" the names of Brethren William H. Scott and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois appear.

Under the topic, "Foreign Relations," the grand master reported—

Requests have been received from several sister jurisdictions for some subordinate lodge of Arizona to confer one or more degrees as a favor to

subordinate lodges under their jurisdictions. Similar requests have been made by me as grand master in behalf of lodges under my jurisdiction. Each request has been promptly granted, but are deemed too numerous to incorporate them in the printed proceedings. The best of feeling exists between the Grand Lodge of Arizona and all sister jurisdictions.

The grand master reported a communication from the grand master of Oregon, concerning a proposed grand masters' conference at Portland, but inasmuch as the time tentatively fixed for the holding of such conference was after the expiration of his term, the matter was laid before the grand lodge. The grand lodge took action recommending that the in-coming grand master attend the proposed conference, if held, either in person or by proxy. The grand master reported a communication from the Washington Memorial Association suggesting that the grand lodge send a representative to the annual meeting to be held in Alexandria, Va., and he requested that if any brother of the grand lodge desired to attend, he should inform the grand secretary. No further mention of this matter appears in the proceedings.

Report was made of the laying of three corner stones, and the dedication of one masonic hall.

Ten special dispensations were reported by the grand master, of which nine were for the purpose of permitting lodges to receive petitions or confer degrees upon United States soldiers, waiving time or residence qualifications, as is presumed.

Seven decisions were announced, none of them of very great consequence, and all of them approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence and the grand lodge, save one, which was modified. In the decision numbered 7, the grand master was asked—

If a master of a lodge should resign, and another brother elected to serve the remainder of the term as master, would the brother so elected be entitled, at the termination of his office to the honors of past master?

The grand master decided, in effect, that the master resigning during his term would not be entitled to the rank of past master, but that he who was elected and filled out the unexpired term as master would be entitled to such rank. In modifying this holding the committee, perhaps rightly held that the title of past master belongs to a brother who has been elected (or named in a charter) and installed and served as master, of a lodge. As tending to show that the "Dogberrys" are not all dead, the grand master was called upon to decide the following—

4. Is it proper for a Master Mason who has never held an office in any masonic lodge to confer any of the masonic degrees?

Of course the grand master answered—

Yes; if proficient in the work, and called upon by the master to assist. * * *

Under the head of visitations the grand master reported having visited every lodge under his obedience, and when it is taken into account that the area of Arizona is a little above twice that of Illinois, his performance appears the more remarkable. In all the lodges ritualistic work was done on the occasion of his several visits, and the grand master reported that—

The work is far from uniform. In fact hardly any two lodges do the work alike. In most of the lodges I found the officers proficient in the work as they had learned it. * * *

All of which is not surprising when it is remembered that the population of Arizona is composed so largely of immigrants, many of whom learned their Masonry elsewhere. The grand master submitted some recommendations concerning the ritual, which took definite form in a resolution introduced as follows—

Resolved, First—the office of grand lecturer at the last session of this grand lodge be hereby abolished. Second: A committee of three be appointed to publish the cipher code of the ritual and turn the same over to the grand secretary at the earliest possible time; and Third: The grand secretary on receipt of the copies of the cipher code, at once distribute one copy thereof to each master of the several subordinate lodges under the conditions contained in the grand master's address, etc. * * *

This series of resolutions was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and upon its report and recommendation number 1 was adopted, and numbers 2 and 3 *were not adopted.* From all of which it may be inferred that the members of the committee have a better recollection of, or more respect for the sanctions of, the Entered Apprentice ob. than the proposers of the resolution, and the grand lodge should be congratulated accordingly.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of $3,871.40 on account of dues, and of the sum of $1,440.50 on account of Widows' and Orphans' Fund. From the table of returns a net gain in membership for the year is shown in the sum of 208.

During the session Past Grand Master Brother Rickmer N. Fredericks, made a donation to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund in the sum of $1,000.00. On motion it was ordered that the grand treasurer transfer from the General Fund to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund eleven bonds in the sum of $1,000.00 each.

Brother Charles Custis Woolf was elected grand master, and Brother J. George Roskruge was re-elected grand secretary.

On the afternoon of the second day a telegram was received announcing the sad intelligence that Brother Alonzo Bailey, past grand master, had died that day, and a committee was appointed to telegraph resolutions of sympathy to his widow.

On motion it was ordered that a committee, consisting of the grand treasurer and one member from each lodge, be appointed for the purpose of securing subscriptions to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Following the installation ceremonies the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's jewel.

It appears from the record that just before closing—

It having been announced that Mrs. Emma C. Ocobock, Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, was paying an official visit to the Grand Chapter of Arizona, it was ordered that the grand lodge be called off for half an hour, * * and that a committee be appointed to invite the most worthy grand matron to pay a visit to the grand lodge hall, which was done, the lady accepted the invitation and was duly presented, with her suite, and as may well be imagined, some high class oratory ensued, whereupon the visitors withdrew and the grand lodge resumed its labors. There is no report on foreign correspondence.

The next Annual will be held at Tucson, February 12, 1918.

Brother Charles Custis Woolf, Grand Master, Tempe; Brother George J. Roskruge, Grand Secretary, Tucson.

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## ARKANSAS—1916

565 Lodges 75th Annual 23,439 Members

An artistically bound, and well printed volume of about 165 pages records the proceedings of this grand lodge for the year, and the annual meeting was held at Little Rock on November 21, 1916, the grand lodge being opened in ample form, and presided over by Brother L. P. Kemper, grand master, with all the other grand lodge officers in their places. Full page likenesses of Brethren J. S. Reamey, incoming grand master, and A. B. Grace, past grand master (deceased), appear to adorn the book.

Eleven past grand masters were in attendance at the annual meeting, and also, the representatives of forty-one foreign grand bodies, Brother George Thornburgh, the envoy of Illinois, of the number.

The record shows that—

Upon the grand lodge being duly opened, the roll of deceased past grand masters, was called in compliance with our edicts. At the conclusion of the roll call the craft was called up and gave funeral grand honors in memory of these eminent and beloved brethren.

The grand master gave an account of his official activities during the year, in an address of twenty-two pages. In the exordium, he well says—

We should not cease to thank our Heavenly Father that this glorious land of ours is still at peace with itself, and the rest of the world, and that we have not become entangled in the great strife and bloody conflict that is now being carried on throughout the Old World, and we should continually ask Him that such disaster should not come to our own fair land. * * *

In language expressive of sorrow and deprivation, announcement was made of the death of Past Grand Master A. B. Grace, and among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, mention is made of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

The grand master reported having paid a visit to one of the lodges of his obedience for the purpose of investigating a charge that the master of the lodge had been intoxicated on a certain occasion. He says—

After an exhaustive session, lasting from two in the afternoon until eleven at night, I was unable to harmonize both factions. The evidence as best I could obtain, was to the effect that at that particular time, the master was not intoxicated, but was really suffering from ptomaine poisoning, and while all the members present except one, were satisfied that the charges against the master were without foundation, I have never succeeded in getting the complaining brother to admit that he was satisfied.

The distinguished brother apparently thinks that in order to make a good case of ptomaine poison, the finding should be agreed unanimously.

Two decisions are reported, one of which goes to the limit on the barleycorn question. The grand master was asked if it would be a violation of masonic law for a Mason to sign a petition for the repeal of the state-wide prohibition law of Arkansas, and the enactment of a local option law.

His decision was to the effect that the signing of such petition would subject the offender to discipline under their code.

The grand master reported the constituting of one new lodge, by proxy, the issuing of four dispensations to form new lodges, the laying of four corner stones, one in person and three by proxy. More than seventy special dispensations were issued for the purpose of enabling lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as in the by-laws provided; likewise, also, a large number of special dispensations for the purpose of enabling lodges to confer degrees without regard to time.

The grand master reported that—

In January, 1916, I attended the school of district deputy grand masters in the city of Little Rock at which there were present the custodians of the secret work, the grand lecturer, Brother Baker Clark, all the district deputies except one, who being sick in bed, was not able to attend; also, a great many visitors; etc. * * * Under our present system there is no way by which a lodge may get instruction except by the payment of the district

grand master, or the grand lecturer, and as a matter of fact the ones who need the instruction most are those least able to pay for the same. * * *

Following this, the grand master reported—

After attending the school at Little Rock, I visited the home at Bentonville, going there without giving them any previous notice. I was very much pleased to find the perfect condition of everything, and am proud to know, from the best information I can get, that we have as good, well furnished home as any in the United States. It is not as large, of course, as many, in fact being the smallest in the United States, but as to equipment and management there is none superior to ours, and I believe that every Mason who ever sees the home, will be proud of the fact that he has had some small part in providing this magnificent place for the orphan children of our deceased brethren, etc. * * *

It elsewhere appears that at time of report there were in the home 117 children and that the gross expenditures for running expenses for the last year amounted to the sum of $19,954.03.

The grand master recommended that a home be built for aged and dependent Masons, their wives and widows. This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Law and Usage, and upon its report and recommendation the grand lodge empowered the in-coming grand master to appoint a committee of five to consider the feasibility of establishing a home for widows and aged Masons of Arkansas, and to report at the next annual session.

Under the topic "Visitations" the grand master reported that—

During the summer I have visited by scheduled itinerary 93 subordinate lodges, and 9 by special invitation, and with one exception did not fail to have a meeting, although at one place I was compelled to ride seventeen miles on a hand-car in order to make my appointment. * * *

The grand master reported that a number of degrees had been conferred by the lodges under his obedience through courtesy for lodges of foreign grand jurisdictions, and that reciprocally, a number of degrees had been conferred by foreign lodges at the instance of Arkansas lodges, all of which were arranged for by himself, and the other grand masters concerned.

In the report of Committee on Grand Master's Address it is said that the grand master—

Visited 420 lodges, and went into all the counties of Arkansas, except four, and would have visited these counties but the threatened railroad strike sent him home. * * *

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $27,295.95 of which the sum of $27,030.95 was dues from lodges, and the balance was derived from divers other sources. There is an apparent gain in membership shown of 631.

On the evening of the first day a session was held, attended by the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star by special invitation, when the grand

orator, Brother R. B. Macon, delivered an address. The exercises were opened by a fine musical programme, consisting of both vocal and instrumental selections. The address seems to have been a very fair sort of "general purposes" deliverance, which the record shows was listened to with rapt attention, and was greeted with prolonged applause.

It is printed in full in the proceedings.

Following this address the grand master introduced Mrs. Emma C. Occobock, of Michigan, general grand matron of the General Grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of the United States, who addressed the audience in a pleasing manner, and with eloquent, thoughtful words. She was succeeded by Mrs. Mabel Phillips, grand matron of the Order of the Eastern Star of Arkansas, who likewise addressed the audience in earnest and pleasing remarks.

Brother J. S. Reamey was elected grand master, and Brother Fay Hempstead was re-elected grand secretary.

On motion it was—

Resolved, that the American flag be displayed in the grand lodge hall at each session, and that all subordinate lodges of this jurisdiction be directed to procure and display an American flag in the lodge hall, at all meetings.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations it was ordered that four new lodges be granted charters, and that one lodge be continued under dispensation.

Following the installation the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's jewel, on receiving which he expressed deep appreciation of the gift.

There is no review of the proceedings of other grand lodges in the proceedings. In presenting his report, the Committee on Correspondence, Brother Louis Bauerlein said—

Not receiving the proceedings of other grand lodges until after the first of September, and because of many other demands upon my time, I am not in a position to make such a report as I would wish. It is a physical impossibility to review these proceedings in so short a time.

The next Annual will be held at Little Rock, November 20, 1917.

Brother J. S. Reamey, Grand Master, Hot Springs; Brother Fay Hempstead, Grand Secretary, Little Rock.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA—1917

80 Lodges 46th Annual 7,683 Members

On the fly-leaf of the book of proceedings of this grand lodge is a fine picture of the retiring grand master, Brother William Astley, clad in elaborate regalia of the English pattern, and elsewhere appears a group picture of four brethren whose names are not given, but one in the group, at least is as good looking as the grand master. The annual meeting was held at New Westminster, and the grand lodge was presided over by the grand master.

Most Worshipful Brother Astley delivered a brief address, recounting the activities of the year, in the exordium of which he was pleased to say that—

Notwithstanding the fearful drain that the different lodges have been subjected to in order that the ranks of the brave might be kept up to their full strength, Freemasonry, on the whole has prospered. Some of our lodges have sent forth no less than 38% of their membership to do battle with the enemy in the cause of liberty and civilization. In nearly every lodge that I visited honour rolls are now to be seen, but it is indeed saddening to note the "killed in action," and "died of wounds" after so many brothers' names. Realizing that we should have a goodly number of broken, wounded and permanently maimed brethren returning to us, I caused to be issued * * * a circular letter, asking the brethren of this grand jurisdiction to set aside ONE CENT PER DAY for such as I have described, and whilst my expectations have not been realized, I am pleased to be able to state that a goodly sum has been collected, etc. * * *

A large part of the address consists of an account of the grand master's official and ceremonial visits to lodges, his report showing that sixty-three such visits were made during the year. Sixteen special dispensations were issued during the year, of which ten were for the purpose of permitting lodges to attend divine services, and the balance for the purpose of permitting lodges to change time or place of meeting, or the like.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $6,041.27 on account of the General Fund, and the report of the Finance Committee appears to indicate the collection of $1,259.81 on account of the Charity Fund, besides the sum of $604.12, which was transferred from the General Fund to the Charity Fund.

Appended to the report of the grand secretary is a list of members of lodges who have enlisted for active service in the war, which fills twenty pages of the proceedings, and at that does not profess to be a complete list, as in the report is said. The same report shows a net loss in membership during the year of 114.

The reports of ten of the thirteen district deputy grand masters are printed in the proceedings, and tend to show careful supervision of the lodges.

On motion a resolution was adopted, granting a warrant to one new lodge.

Brother Douglas Corsan was elected grand master, and Brother W. A. DeWolf-Smith was re-elected grand secretary.

A committee appointed for that purpose, reports a series of five resolutions, the last of which will interest Illinois readers, namely—

5. Resolved: that this grand lodge, in annual meeting assembled, realizing the long-drawn battle and the straining almost to the limit of the energy and resources of the Empire and our Allies, heartily expresses its gratification on the addition to the man, moral and material resources by the action of the United States in joining with the forces fighting for democracy, and expresses its convictions that such action will have a tendency towards drawing closer those ever harmonious relations that have heretofore existed between our sister jurisdictions of the United States, and ourselves.

The report was unanimously adopted.

There is a report on foreign correspondence consisting of one hundred fourteen pages, by Brother W. A. DeWolf-Smith, grand secretary, which is fully up to the standard of excellence which characterizes the work of this distinguished brother.

Two of his interesting pages are filled with a review of the proceedings of Illinois for 1916, and his treatment is fraternal and gracious. He says—

We find it on the first page of the proceedings, the record stating that the grand lodge was opened by the deputy grand master (although the grand master was present), and in *Ample Form*, at that.

He notes in the report of Grand Master Wheeler, the account concerning the appointment of his "Advisory Council," and the division of the grand jurisdiction into three "Regions," placing one of the divisions thus formed under charge of each of the three officers next to him in rank; he notes, also, what is in the report said concerning the revision of the monitor, and steps taken to secure the copy-right; concerning the publication of "Lodge Bulletins"; and concerning political discussion in lodges.

Of this writer, he is pleased to say—

Turning to report on foreign correspondence we find a new hand at the bellows, etc. * * *

Continuing the brother says—

He succeeded in preparing a report calculated to give his readers complete information regarding the work of other grand lodges.

Brother Dr. Douglas Corsan, Grand Master, Fernie; Brother W. A. DeWolf-Smith, Grand Secretary, Box 910, New Westminster.

## CALIFORNIA—1916

377 Lodges 67th Annual 57,856 Members

The fly-leaf of the printed proceedings of this grand lodge contains the counterfeit presentment of the retiring grand master, Brother Albert G. Burnett, all shaven and shorn, and elsewhere appear, as further illustration of the volume, cuts of the buildings at the Children's home at Covina.

The annual meeting was held at San Francisco, commencing October 10, 1916, and was opened in ample form, after music and prayer, by the grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers.

Lending dignity to the assemblage, ten past grand masters were present. Apparently, California has dispensed with the diplomatic circle.

The grand master's address consists of twenty-seven pages, and gives an account of his official acts, with his views on a number of subjects.

With appropriate expressions of sorrow and deprivation he reported the passing during the years of past grand master, Brother William Abraham Davies, and grand orator, Brother John Morton Eshelman. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, mention is made of the passing of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois. The grand master concludes what he has to say under the topic "Necrology," by using a quotation from the late Senator Ingalls, as follows—

In the democracy of the dead all men at last are equal. There is neither rank nor station nor prerogative in the republic of the grave. At this fatal threshold the philosopher ceases to be wise, and the song of the poet is silent. Dives relinquishes his millions and Lazarus his rags. The poor man is as rich as the richest, and the rich man as poor as the pauper. The creditor loses his usury and the debtor is acquitted of his obligation. There the proud man surrenders his dignity, the politician his honors, the worldling his pleasures, the invalid needs no physician and the laborer rests from unrequited toil. Here at last is nature's final decree in equity. The wrongs of time are redressed. Injustice is expiated, the irony of fate is refuted, the unequal distribution of wealth, honor, capacity, pleasure and opportunity which makes life such a cruel and inexplicable tragedy ceases in the realm of death. The strongest there has no supremacy, and the weakest needs no defense. The mightiest captain succumbs to that invincible adversary, who disarms alike the victor and the vanquished.

Under the topic, "Visitations," the grand master reported having visited thirty and upwards, of the lodges of his obedience. Of one of the visits he says—

The occasion was graced by the presence of Brother Scott, past grand master of the jurisdiction of Illinois, who by his inspiring words increased our admiration for this great institution. Brother Scott has since joined the invisible host of the grand lodge above. ** *

Of another he said—

For the first time during my visitations I saw in the lodge room at Bay View the American flag, and I assure you it was a pleasing and inspiring sight, and our worthy grand secretary added interest to the occasion by paying in his own inimitable way, an eloquent tribute to the Star Spangled Banner.

He reported having visited during the year the Masonic Home at Decoto and the orphans' home at Covina, and that he found everything there being done "decently and in order." Two halls were decorated and five corner stones laid,—all by proxy. Under the topic, "Other Special Communications," the grand master said—

December 22nd, I received from a brother, who asked me not to reveal his name the sum of $21,000.00 in gilt edge bonds, to be used in the construction of a dormitory at Covina, Los Angeles County, in connection with our home for children. It was a noble gift from a noble man. * * * In this connection I will state that the grand secretary received from Mr. and Mrs. George Zehnder of Arcata, the sum of $500.00 for the masonic homes of California, and I am sure that we all concur in the sentiment expressed by Brother Whicher in his letter of acknowledgment, as follows; no better passport to Heaven could be issued than this gift, and the thanks of the fraternity of the entire state of California are hereby tendered to both of you. * * *

Under the topic, "Masonic Homes and Other Agencies," the grand master said—

I am pleased to say that the members generally are proud of the practical agencies adopted and conducted by the fraternity for the amelioration of distress and for the aid of those who need assistance. * * * I am satisfied that those having them in charge are fully alive to the importance of their work and are striving earnestly and efficiently to discharge their sacred trust.* * * My visit to the homes certainly made a deep impression upon my mind. As far as one can judge from appearances, you would say that conditions are almost ideal, etc. * * *

It elsewhere appears that there were at the home at Decoto 100 men and 52 women, and at the children's home at Covina 32 boys and 24 girls.

Continuing, the grand master said, under the same topic—

The boards of relief and employment agencies are also of tremendous importance, and demand our most careful attention.

Twenty decisions were announced by the grand master, most of them involving a construction of their code, and none of them of very great consequence. In No. 1, a petitioner for the degrees moved to China before receiving any of the degrees, and sought the return of the fee, advanced with the petition. The grand master held that there was no authority for the return of the fee. In No. 13 the grand master reported—

Several communications were received from masonic boards of relief in which complaint was made of the jurisdiction of other states for their failure to reimburse said boards of relief for monies expended for the relief of the members, or relatives of said members of lodges of said jurisdictions.

To one of these I replied, I understand that many similar cases have arisen within our jurisdiction. They are, of course, annoying and even exasperating in some respects, but I suppose until the end of time there will be found men, and even Masons, who manifest a disposition to impose upon others a burden which should be borne by themselves. No one can tell you what you should do in the premises. I will suggest, however, that you continue to importune the lodges primarily responsible for the duty to care for their own, etc. * * *

And so, in California, that fine old notion that "Masonic relief can neither be bought nor sold, nor be made the basis of a debt," gives place to the more practical doctrine of "*Quid pro quo.*"

In No. 17, it was decided that—

A man who has lost his right leg seven inches below the knee is not qualified to receive the degrees.

This is (perhaps) a correct holding, but the words employed in the statement lead one to wonder what the decision would have been, if the man had lost the left leg seven inches above the knee.

In No. 19 the grand master decided that—

It was not proper to hold masonic services over the ashes of a brother whose body had been cremated.

In dissenting from this decision the Committee on Jurisprudence reported as follows—

We cannot agree with the broad general statement contained in the decision; but on the contrary we are of the opinion that when a masonic funeral is requested, it is eminently fit and proper to pay respects to the memory of a departed brother, in whatever form his mortal remains may be presented for the performance of the ceremony.

On recommendation of the committee this decision was disapproved.

At the instance of the Board of Relief of Los Angeles, an amendment to the constitution of the grand lodge was proposed in 1915, as follows—

WHEREAS, the boards of relief are frequently called upon to give aid to the daughter of a Master Mason, living or deceased;

And whereas, many such calls are from and in behalf of daughters who have passed the age of majority, and from and in behalf of daughters who are married; therefore be it RESOLVED, that section No. .. now reading that the daughter of a Master Mason in good standing, whether of tender, or mature years, is entitled to relief, be amended to read: That the daughter of a Master Mason in good standing, under the age of twenty-one years, is entitled to relief, as a matter of right, but the daughter of a Master Mason who has attained the age of twenty-one years shall not, as a matter of right, be entitled to aid, but may receive aid at the discretion of the dispensing body.

This matter was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which reported at this session adversely to the proposition to amend, saying in part—

If any such amendment is desired it should be added to Section 163 of the constitution which now provides: "Every Master Mason in good standing, his widow and orphans, when in distress has, and have the right to ask for and receive aid, etc. * * * We recommend that the proposed amendment be not adopted."

The recommendation was concurred in. To those of us who have been taught that the need, and worthiness of the applicant for assistance on the one hand, irrespective of age or sex, and the ability of the dispenser of alms on the other hand, are the sole factors controlling the dispensing of masonic charity (or rather relief), this part of the record constitutes strange reading, and sounds more like the record of the proceedings of some mutual benefit society, than a body of Ancient Craft Masons. It serves to recall the lawyer in Holy Writ, who wished a specific and categorical answer to the question: "And who is my neighbor?"

A communication from Oceanic Lodge No. 371 was read, as follows—

WHEREAS, this lodge was instituted April 8, 1842, by a deputy of the Supreme Council of the 33°, A. A. S. R. of France, under the name Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanne, No. 124, and continued and worked under that style until it entered the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of California as Oceanic Lodge No. 371, and,

WHEREAS, it was and is desired by all the members to retain the former name of this body; be it Resolved that the Grand Lodge of California is hereby respectfully petitioned to permit and instruct this lodge to resume its former name with its present number.

Concerning this same lodge, the grand master, in his annual address said—

My attention was called to certain correspondence between our grand lecturer, Brother Baker, and James F. Fenwick, inspector for the 64th masonic district at Honolulu, and also a letter written by certain past masters of Oceanic Lodge No. 371 at Honolulu, and Brother Fenwick, in reference to a portion of the third degree work, as given by said lodge. Brother Baker had insisted that they change their practice and conform to the requirements of our constitution. Said letter contained an interesting history of said lodge, and an eloquent statement of the reasons for the action of the lodge in retaining the so-called French work in the second section of the third degree, etc. * * *

I must say that I sympathize with them in their reverence for the past and for the old ideals, etc.

The lodge was allowed to resume its French name, and for a wonder, to continue its French work, the constitution being so amended in this respect as to permit the grand master at his discretion to so stretch its provisions as to permit this French work to please this lodge. Of course, the desire of the change of name is a mere matter of taste, and concerns no one but the lodge in question and the Grand Lodge of California. The permission for the tail to wag the dog, in the matter of the ritual, however, is a more serious matter,

and serves to remind us that the placing of a wild bantling under a domestic hen, is not likely to change the nature of the bantling. By the showing of the letter desiring the name changed this lodge in its inception was illegitimate, irregular and clandestine, and it apparently continues to act consistently with its genesis, notwithstanding its adoption into a respectable family by the Grand Lodge of California.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of $146,950.35, of which $63,938.85 was on account of the General Fund, and the balance on account of the home funds.

The table of returns of lodges shows a net gain in membership during the year of 2,474. There is shown a net gain in the number of lodges of four, two lodges having consolidated with other lodges, and six new lodges having been instituted.

On the afternoon of the third day of the session, a fine oration was delivered by the grand orator, Brother Samuel E. Bourke. It is printed in full in the proceedings, and is well worthy of the place.

Brother Francis V. Keesling was elected grand master, and Brother John Whicher was re-elected grand secretary. Following the installation ceremonies the retiring grand master was presented with a silver coffee and tea set of 40 pieces by the grand lodge. As Brother Scott has heretofore taken occasion to say what we think of this, and that in very choice and clear language, no comment is submitted. If it pleases the Grand Lodge of California, and it has the price, the rest of us must be satisfied, although it furnishes a precedent that it is to be hoped few grand lodges will follow.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances must have had a laborious time during this session, as no less than sixteen separate matters were before it on appeal from as many lodges. The report of this committee is printed in full, and is quite voluminous.

The children at the home in Covina are at present housed in a temporary building while a permanent building of modern type is in process of construction. On May 20th, 1916, the corner stone of the new edifice was laid by the grand lodge, a full account of which ceremony, including the text of the address delivered by the grand orator, is in the printed proceedings.

The grand master in somewhat gushing language gives an account of an exchange of greetings between himself and Brother Searing, grand master of New Jersey, made over the long distance telephone from San Francisco, Cal., to Ridgeway, N. J., and reports the language used. Among other things said in this reported conversation between the two distinguished brethren the following appears—

The kind message, so distinctly heard, although your voice has traveled 3,500 miles, is greatly appreciated, and as grand master of New Jersey I

shall take great delight in conveying it to the 42,000 Masons of this grand jurisdiction, etc. * * * I am informed by a representative of the telephone company here present, that we have the distinction of being the first representatives of masonic bodies, assembled as such, to converse across the continent. * * *

There is a report on foreign correspondence consisting of 140 pages from the pen of Brother Edward H. Hart, past grand master.

Four of his interesting pages are devoted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois for 1915, and his treatment of the same is most considerate and fraternal. Commenting on the substance of Brother Burnap's annual report he says—

The masonic year preceding was a busy one for the grand master, the increasing number of lodges, and the phenomenal addition to membership resulting in a vast increase in the labors of the head of the fraternity.

Of the decision of the grand master concerning clubs adjacent to lodge rooms, and the approval thereof by the Committee on Jurisprudence, he says, "It was unquestionably a very sensible decision." Of the review, he says, "The report on masonic correspondence is from the gifted pen of Most Worshipful Owen Scott, 'Reviewer,' as it is termed." Whereupon he proceeds to quote from Brother Scott's statistics. He quotes in full Brother Scott's exceedingly mild criticism of the action of the Grand Lodge of England in excluding from masonic meetings brethren of German, Austrian, Turkish and Hungarian birth, and apparently excepts thereto. He says—

Self-preservation is not only the first law of nature, but is the first law of national politics, and we presume is paramount to all other laws, and it is of course the law of self-preservation in a national sense that has brought about this unmasonic condition where the Brotherhood of Masonry is at least temporarily submerged, and made to yield to the law of national expediency and preservation.

Of course the brother has a right to his views, but we fraternally commend to his consideration the views of Brother Eggleston of Virginia (Proceedings of Grand Lodge of Virginia,—1916), and Brother Goodwin of Utah (Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Utah, 1916). These brethren have registered the notions of this writer on this subject more forcibly and just as exactly as he himself could do. Brother Hart is also fraternally recommended to study the views of Brother Chambers of Quebec on the same topic (Proceedings of Quebec, 1916).

The next annual meeting will be held at San Francisco, October 9, 1917.

Brother Francis V. Keesling, Grand Master, San Francisco; Brother John Whicher, Grand Secretary, San Francisco.

## CANADA

449 Lodges. 61st Annual. 61,062 Members.

The volume of proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, is adorned by a full page portrait of Brother Sydney Albert Luke, grand master, clad in regalia complete, of the English type, gauntlets and all.

The annual meeting was held at London, Ontario, on July 19, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers. Eight past grand masters were present, and the representatives of twenty-six foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother Abraham Shaw, the representative of Illinois, of this number.

An appropriate address of welcome was delivered by the mayor of London, and was responded to in kind by the grand master.

The grand master's address fills thirty of the pages of the volume, and contains an account of the year's activities, and an expression of his views on several matters. Six pages of his address are covered by a discussion of the European war, and matters immediately connected therewith. He says—

I am happy in reporting that with the masonic circle of this jurisdiction, the past year has been an uneventful one, one of peace and quietness. I would that the same might be said of other activities. But the war cloud is still hanging over this people, and whether we are conscious of it or not, I am sure there is with each mind a feeling of unrest. * * * Perhaps it may be said with truth, that the part taken by our countrymen is more heroic than any of the European nations concerned. The people of France, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Russia, and those of the Balkan States, have been learning and practising the art of war for generations and many thousands of their people have witnessed and participated in heartless conflicts. * * * We in Canada have no war past. We have lived in peace with our neighbors, and with unfortified border line thousands of miles in length for more than a hundred years. * * * Many of our brethren and sons of brethren are now in the trenches. Many more have rallied to the colors, preparing to go overseas. * * * Two of our past grand commanders, M. W. Bro. Malone and M. W. Bro. Gibson, have lost sons on the battlefield. No two men command greater respect in this grand lodge, and I tender to them, and any of our brethren who mourn, the universal regret of the craft of Ontario.

Continuing, the grand master announced the death of Lord Kitchener, who was not only a man of great military renown, but had some reputation as a Freemason.

The grand master reported the requests of the grand lodges of the Philippine Islands, and the Argentine Republic, respectively, for recognition. These were both referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and

on its report and recommendation recognition was extended to the former and denied to the latter.

Under the head of "Jurisdictional Courtesies" the grand master makes acknowledgment of courtesies received from the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and other grand jurisdictions, and says further that—

Authority was given to Haileybury Lodge No. 485 to confer degrees upon Keith Roberts, formerly of the jurisdiction of Wilmette Lodge, 931, Illinois.

Under the same head he mentioned a complaint from the grand master of Pennsylvania—

Against a lodge in this jurisdiction under the law of perpetual jurisdiction,—a law, or principle, neither admitted nor claimed by our constitution.

The complaint was grounded on the following—

In 1903 a man made application to a lodge in that state, and was rejected because of a slight mutilation of the left hand. Moving to Canada, and having acquired masonic residence, he made application, and was made a Mason in 1910. Returning to Pennsylvania to reside he demitted from the lodge here, and made application to affiliate in that state, but was refused on the ground that he had committed an offence, as also the Canadian lodge which had initiated him, without first obtaining the consent of the rejecting Pennsylvania lodge of 1903.

Reporting his action the grand master further said—

Acting on the principle that the least said is soonest mended, particularly as regards the laws of perpetual jurisdiction and physical qualifications, the defence, after expressing regret that such a case had arisen, simply pointed out that the brother in question, and the lodge, having complied with our laws, which as a sovereign body we have inherent right to make for our own guidance; obviously neither he, nor the lodge, had committed any offence, and appeal was made that masonic intercourse be permitted him with his brethren of Pennsylvania.

With Pennsylvania's contention that her interpretation of the landmark concerning physical fitness many of us are in sympathy, but her doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction is indefensible, and the two, coupled together, keep her *perpetually* in hot water with about half of the grand jurisdictions on earth.

The grand master reported that he had issued 480 special dispensations, and concerning the same said—

Chiefly they were for the purpose of attending divine service, to install officers at other than by-law dates, and following the practice of last year one hundred and sixty were issued giving permission to confer degrees within time limit. * * *

It may be necessary to give assurance, that in those cases each application was carefully scrutinized, etc. * * *

All of which, if true, indicate that the grand master must have stayed awake of nights for the purpose of "*Scrutinizing.*"

The grand master reported that he had on two occasions issued dispensations to lodges permitting the exemplification of the Irish work, and says—

I confess consent was reluctantly given; not because I believe there is anything wrong with that work, but simply on the ground that there is no legitimate reason for perpetuating another work in this jurisdiction when, as a matter of fact, we have not half digested our own, etc. * * *

The grand master reported the laying of one corner stone and the dedication of twelve halls, two in person and ten by proxy.

Fourteen decisions were announced, most of them construing local regulations and none of them startling. In No. 2 it was held that—

When a lodge is called for the purpose of conducting a funeral, it is constitutionally bound not only to read our service, and perform our ceremony, but must have and keep control of the body to be buried. * * *

In No. 3, the grand master was asked—

May the lodge join and march in a procession to the church, in a joint parade of all fraternal societies to attend divine service?

The reply was—

My answer was advisory only, that such action was undesirable, because better order and regularity would ensue and be more in keeping with the dignity of this old fraternity to walk in procession alone.

In No. 4—

A member of a lodge under a foreign jurisdiction, moved to this jurisdiction, and became a charter member of one of our lodges. Subsequently he was suspended for N. P. D., by a foreign lodge. What is his position in our Canadian lodge?

The reply was—

In good standing.

No. 6, as reported, is as follows—

In the case of an applicant of defective articulation, so marked as to require familiarity with him to understand intelligently. Recollecting the fate of the Ephraimites I decided he was not eligible.

In No. 8, the grand master was asked—

Is it proper to applaud, or to permit applause openly, upon the rendering of any part of the work in the lodge?

To this he replied—

No. It tends to create jealousy and irritation among the officers, and especially with those who have not had educational advantages, etc. * * *

All these decisions of the grand master can be understood and will be subscribed to generally (perhaps), except No. 4, and this is inexplicable, except upon the theory that Canada permits dual membership. In Illinois a brother cannot be a member of two lodges at the same time, and hence could not possibly be a charter member of a lodge while holding membership

in a foreign lodge. If this is the explanation to the decision, it would appear to be one of the very unsavory conditions incident to membership in more than one lodge at the same time.

Six pages of the address are filled with an account of his ceremonial visits to lodges under his obedience. Five dispensations for the formation of new lodges were issued. The grand master makes reference, in his address, to the fact that the two hundredth anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England will occur this year and suggested that suitable celebration thereof be planned by the grand lodge, or the lodges under its obedience. The report of the grand treasurer shows the collection on account of the General Fund of the sum of $47,784.82, and on account of the Benevolent Fund the sum of $10,674.30. From the returns of lodges, a net gain in membership is shown of 2,079.

On report of the Committee on Warrants six new lodges were granted warrants, and two were continued under dispensation.

The reports of the twenty-two district deputy grand masters cover more than two hundred pages of the proceedings, and give a tiresomely minute account of the condition of Masonry throughout the province.

On report and recommendation of a special committee on music, a ceremonial music ritual was adopted for use by the lodges.

The most interesting and unique feature of the printed proceedings is the report of the "Board on the Condition of Masonry." In head and tails it is a report, but it is unique in that, in its entrails are found an oration, a stump speech, a sermon and a good many other things both curious and interesting, but too numerous to classify. No adequate notion can be given of this deliverance, but the following must be re-produced—

Our Masonry, like space, is of four dimensions; *length* of days (ancient, yet with no trace of age); *breadth* of vision and of charity; *depth* of sincerity and conviction, and *heighth* of aspiration (and by the grace of the Great Architect), of attainment. In how far have we fallen short of measuring up to this four-fold standard? Have good works been commensurate with numerical strength? Have we the respect of the community and our own self-respect? Having done our best do we stand sure? Our duty, like that of the old commonwealth, is clear—for we, too, are, or ought to be, Knights of the Round Table—to use our own talents, and to bring out of our treasure house, things both old and new to repair, to correct, to improve, to build up, but always in the light of our own tradition, which has made us what we are,—to deepen, maintain and justify our faith in the unity of the true spirit of man,—to enable the brain worker and the manual worker, each to supplement the other, and draw both within the circle of a common humanity. This surely, our fraternity, composed of men in a world of men,—(not children or gods)—can do—is doing, in the process of welding and working together, which night by night the faithful brotherhood carry on together. We are builders, not prophets, yet we have the vision splendid, while fully recognizing the foundations of our predecessors. We

must be factors in the future, and pass on the goodly heritage,—forthtellers, not foretellers. * * * We are builders, not in brick and stone, but seeking to erect a temple of faith, freedom and friendship among men; a company of closely united friends who, employing the tools and laws of architecture, work for the welfare of humanity, striving to bring about a universal brotherhood, which we aspire to exhibit even now, on a small scale, in the form and spirit of our lodge. Therefore we urge you to study to be a workman worthy of the temple in which you labor, building your life and thought and character into it, and thereby merit the approval of the Master of all good work; etc. * * *

In the report the board found some tendencies prevalent which occasion was taken to disapprove, some of which are not peculiar to Canada. For instance—

Three bad habits are still occasionally apparent: (a) The misuse of passages from the ritual, on gastronomic menus. (b) The diffusive and aggressive display of large sized masonic jewelry in every day life,—there can be no objection to the unobtrusive charm or symbol. (c) The apparent misconception or delusion under which some secretaries labour, that punctuality is the thief of time.

Want of space alone forbids the reproduction of other portions of this entertaining document. There is a fine and appropriate report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead, in which, among other distinguished dead, mention is made of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

Brother Sydney Albert Luke, grand master, and Brother R. L. Gunn, grand secretary, were both re-elected. The appointive officers were announced by the grand master following his "Investiture, "among whom, for some reason, not disclosed by the record, he appointed only twelve grand stewards. There is a report on correspondence, consisting of 131 pages, very well prepared, by Brother A. T. Freed, past grand master. His treatment of the Proceedings of Illinois (1915), is considerate and fraternal. He takes notice of Brother Burnap's views, as in the annual report expressed concerning concerted action for the promotion of universal peace; of his report of the case of the man who wished to be relieved of the undesirable attentions of the lady, supposed to be a member of the O. E. S.; the man who invoked his aid in the collection of a debt; the wife who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband; and the case of the twice rejected man who desired to be a Mason "At sight"; and says—

Doubtless he will be able to deal satisfactorily with the Mason who failed to pay his account, with the brother who would not support his family, and even the profane who wants to be in a class with Brother Taft; but we solemnly warn him that if he undertakes to repress the irrepressible sister of the Eastern Star, he will find himself in no end of trouble.

Concerning the review he says—

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented, as in former years, by M. W. Bro. Owen Scott, and it is an admirable paper.

Whereupon, he proceeds to haul Brother Scott over the coals for objecting to the conferring of honorary rank upon distinguished brethren by the American grand lodges.

The next Annual will be held at Belleville, Ontario, July 18, 1917.

Brother Sydney Albert Luke, Grand Master, Ottawa; Brother R. L. Gunn, Grand Secretary, Hamilton.

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## CANADA—1917

455 Lodges 62nd Annual 63,500 Members

The sixty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario was held in Belleville, commencing, (perhaps) on July 18, 1917; and on July 26, 1917, a pamphlet reached this table, containing the grand master's address, reports of the grand treasurer and grand secretary, and several committees; also, in a separate pamphlet, a copy of the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. For celerity this breaks all records. The activities of the year are summarized in an address by the grand master, Brother Sydney A. Luke. With appropriate expressions of sorrow and deprivation he announced the death during the year of Brother James Kirkpatrick Kerr, past grand master. Four pages of his address are devoted to a discussion of the great war, and topics incident thereto. Commenting on the entrance of the United States as a party to the war he said—

The Alliance is said to be for the duration of the war, but it will extend far beyond that time. It is my belief that, long after German Autocracy and her accursed militarism have been crushed—stamped out by the democratic nations of the earth—the Alliance of the English speaking people of the world will remain as a notable factor in international relationships. There has been a great change of sentiment towards Great Britain in the United States in recent years. The rancour of the revolution was intense and enduring. The war of 1812 added bitterness, and up to twenty-five years ago there was pronounced ill-feeling against anything British. Now that is gone, and if one requests it, a cup of tea may be had—even in Boston. * * *

All of which is doubtless true,—but, from present prospects, when the food legislation now in process of enactment assumes final shape it may be doubted whether or not the Britishers may be able to procure in Boston, or elsewhere in this country, his glass of 'alf and 'alf. Continuing, the brother further says—

If this is the beginning of the end of all bitterness, it is indeed a manner, "(matter)" of peculiar fitness; for it was a German King with a small character, and stupid, ruling in England, who started the row, and it is a German Emperor, with the same characteristics, who perhaps and unwillingly, is ending it. It is time that the memory of old grievances between the two nations should be buried, never to be resuscitated. Our ideals of individual freedom and justice and of self government, won at Hastings and Runnymead are identical. Neither covets what the other has, and it would be a good thing for the world at large, a wonderful forward movement, if all the nations sharing the language of Shakespeare, Milton, Hampden, would hereafter stand shoulder to shoulder against crazy arrogance, and all bandits and tyrants of the world. * * *

The grand master reported the issuing of charters to six new lodges, pursuant to previous action by grand lodge, the issuing of dispensations for four new lodges and the dedication of ten lodge rooms.

The grand master reported the granting of 469 special dispensations, 199 of which were for the purpose of permitting lodges to confer degrees within "Time limit" upon men who had enlisted for services overseas. The purposes for which the balance were issued is not stated.

The grand master reported a number of ceremonial visits during the year and among others, a visit to the lodge at Toronto, on February 23rd, 1917, on which occasion Brother Thomas Penney, grand master of New York, accompanied by seven other officers of the Grand Lodge of New York, were in attendance. The grand master reported that he presided over the lodge at this meeting and welcomed the distinguished visitors. During this evening he was invited by the grand master of New York to attend the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of New York in May following, an invitation which he accepted.

He was greatly impressed with the oratory heard on the occasion of this visit to New York, especially with the deliverance of Brother Theodore Roosevelt.

In our brother's "Conclusion," he takes occasion to remark—

It is said to be a truth—a valuable truth—that man learns his lessons oftener through the emotions than through reason. From naked, plain truth men indifferently turn away, to search in myth and symbol for that which was clearly exposed and explained from the beginning. If these are facts the wonderful success of Masonry as the teacher of science, which in purpose and scope embraces everything which makes up the sum total of man's striving in this life,—morality, socially, politically and industrially, is due to the form, sign and symbol by which it conveys its lessons, and in my judgment there is no system, no place, nothing, proclaimed from platform, stage or pulpit, which excels in practical value to men these lessons of the lodge room. * * *

It is a valuable lesson to learn,—that before God's Providence we are equal, and that worth of intellect, integrity of character and altruism are virtues that count before noble birth or princely fortune. It is a

good thing that there is one place where we are taught and made to feel by all the surroundings, the symbols, the very atmosphere breathed, our true place in nature, and our real rank among our fellows. If it had no other quality to recommend it, the fact that Masonry teaches the lesson of humility and brotherhood, alike to king and mechanic, educated and uneducated who over all the world enter its doors, ought to commend it to society generally as a public blessing. * * *

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year, on account of the General Fund of the sum of $78,324.44 of which $59,934.82 was dues from lodges, and the balance was derived from divers other sources.

There is apparently a net gain in membership for the year in the sum of 2,438.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Warrants it was ordered that four new lodges be granted warrants, and that two be continued under dispensation.

Full thirty pages of the pamphlet under consideration are filled by the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry. It is subscribed by Brother William A. Ponton, chairman of the committee, and there is no way of guessing how many, nor who were his colleagues on the committee. It covers almost every imaginable phase of Masonry, and no matter what might be the wants of a lodge or an individual brother in the domain of Masonry some good advice, suited to the case might be found.

The report on foreign correspondence is again by Brother A. T. Freed, past grand master, and is a good one. Three of his interesting pages are devoted to a review of the proceedings of Illinois for 1916, and his treatment is cordial, appreciative and fraternal. He quotes from Brother Wheeler's annual report what is therein said concerning schools, and the lecture feature introduced. He takes note of our law-suit with the school board of La Grange, giving a statement of the matter at issue, with the decision (in substance) of the supreme court. He notices, also, what the grand master reported concerning "Lodge Publications," but makes no comment thereon. He reports the action of the Committee on Correspondence, and the grand lodge on the matters of the suggestion from the Grand Lodge of Cuba, for the calling of a conference, and the protest of the Grand Regional Lodge of the Philippine Islands against the recognition of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands. He is pleased to commend the work of this writer saying—

His report is long, and all of it is good.

We thank the distinguished brother for his words of appreciation.

In his review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, concerning the suggestion of the grand master, that "The two rites of Freemasonry on this continent, in my opinion should be knit more closely together than has been the case hitherto," etc., he says—

And there we are compelled to differ with Brother Jermane in toto. Craft Masonry is sufficient unto itself. While it is able for the work it has assumed, all its strength is needed for the task. It should not form entangling alliances, and it should not change the plans of the fathers. We have yet to hear any general cry from Craft Masons that they are too few for the work they have undertaken, or too weak for the burdens they have to carry. Neither infirmity of purpose nor lack of strength has characterized their doings. The danger which confronts Masonry in the United States is the danger of mixing Masonry with other fraternities, and so abandoning the original design.

Every word of which is true, and timely stated.

## COLORADO—1916

132 Lodges 56th Annual 18,175 Members

The volume of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by full page portraits of Brethren Guy F. Sternberg, grand master; Robert M. Simons, the retiring grand master, and Zachariah X. Snyder, late grand chaplain, deceased, and two small photographs of Brother Chase Withrow, past grand master, for one of which he appears to have posed in 1866, when acting as the first master of Black Hawk Lodge, and for the other in 1916, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of its organization.

The volume contains a report of eight special meetings of the grand lodge during the year, as well as the annual meeting, which was held in Denver, commencing September, 19, 1916. Grand Master Robert M. Simons presided in person over every one of these meetings. At the annual meeting there were in attendance twenty-four past grand masters, and the representatives of sixty-one foreign grand bodies, Brother William W. Cooper, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address fills eleven pages, only, and contains a very short and succinct account of his official doings.

In much sorrow he announced the death during the year of Brother Zachariah X. Snyder, grand chaplain, and for many years president of the State Normal College at Greely, Colorado.

He reported his official approval of the by-laws, or amendments thereof, of nineteen lodges, and the granting of permits to move place of meeting to two lodges; reports the official visitation of thirty-two of the lodges under his obedience, in many of which he assisted in the work, and in the installation of lodge officers. He reported the laying of the corner-stones of four school buildings at as many different towns and of the State Armory at Boulder.

He reported the constituting of one lodge, and the granting of dispensations to form three new lodges. He reported also the dedication of the new masonic temple at Florence. Thirty-two special dispensations were granted most of them to enable lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as prescribed by the by-laws, or to ballot on candidates for advancement "out of time", or similar purposes.

Under the topic, "Condition of the Craft", the grand master says—

The craft in Colorado, brethren, is in good, healthy condition. Our lodges are active along all proper masonic lines; they are blessed with a reasonable amount of prosperity, and in most instances have increased in strength and influence. * * * I wish to call your attention to the .. paragraph of Sec. .. of our Constitution. Electioneering for office is strictly prohibited. Reports have reached me of the ill effects of this most pernicious practice in one of our lodges. Brethren, I caution you in the most solemn manner to vote only as your conscience shall dictate to you to be right; seeking neither to influence others, nor permitting yourself to be influenced by them. The good of Masonry must be your sole guide.

The grand master reported his attendance at the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Black Hawk Lodge. It was chartered by the grand lodge at its annual meeting held in October, 1866, and Brother Chase Withrow was installed as its first master. On the very day following Brother Withrow was elected and installed grand master of Colorado. In October, 1915, Brother Withrow was re-elected master of Black Hawk Lodge. This constitutes an unusual, not to say, a unique record, and furnishes the wherefore of the two photos of Brother Withrow, above mentioned, and while this writer is not particularly expert as a judge of masculine beauty, it is perfectly safe to classify Brother Withrow as he appears in the second photo as a very fine looking man.

We do not wonder at the mention in his address of the report of this matter by the grand master, nor at what followed as the conclusion of this topic, to-wit: The grand master said—

Brethren, let us salute Most Worshipful Brother Chase Withrow, worshipful master of Black Hawk Lodge No. 11, A. F. & A. M., fifty years ago, and who is here today, a delegate to this grand lodge, as its present worshipful master. * * * Most Worshipful Brother, accept our heartiest congratulations, and our earnest wish that you may be spared many, many years, a counsellor and guide to the craftsmen of the splendid state you have so ably helped to build.

The grand master made in his address one single recommendation, and we venture to commend it to all the grand masters, and masters of lodges on earth, and to express the wish that printed in letters of living light, and framed in gold, it might adorn every regular lodge. He said—

I most heartily recommend that every lodge in this grand jurisdiction continue in the same well defined path that Masonry, and their own beautiful conception of its splendid teachings have prompted them to take during the past year, a path paved with love for their fellows, bordered on either side with the sweet flowers of Hope and Charity, and guided by an assured Faith in the promises of the Master.

Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $18,059.65 of which the sum of $15,219.00 was dues from lodges. From the same report it appears that there was a net gain in membership during the year of 753.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Returns and Work three new lodges were granted charters.

The following resolution was adopted—

Resolved that the most worshipful grand master of this grand lodge be instructed to convene at Denver, Colorado, a special communication of this most worshipful grand lodge on St. John the Baptist's Day in 1917, for the purpose of appropriately celebrating the bi-centennial anniversary of the birth of the Grand Lodge of England, and to that end, the M. W. grand master is hereby authorized to take such steps, appoint such committees, and incur such expenses as in his judgment may be necessary to accomplish the above purpose.

The matter of the establishment by the grand lodge of an "Employment Bureau" was referred to the Committee on Benevolence, which reported the following—

Resolved, that the Denver Masonic Relief Association be requested by the most worshipful grand lodge to enlarge its activities along the line of securing employment for Masons in all parts of our jurisdiction, and for such purpose to install a system including all of our lodges, and through them with the employers of labor in their respective jurisdictions, so as to bring the unemployed in touch with work of whatever nature desired. And for such purpose that there be appropriated for the years 1916-1917, commencing October 1, 1916, the sum of $75.00 per month for the secretary of said association, who shall act as manager for the "Employment Bureau", and $50.00 per month for the payment of stenographic and other expenses under his direction.

This resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance, which reported adversely to the proposition. The grand lodge approved the report of the Finance Committee, and put the resolution to sleep.

At the last preceding annual meeting the "Custodians of the Work" had been ordered to revise and arrange the ceremonies of conferring the so-called Past Master's degree, and reported as follows (in part)—

In conformity with this action of the grand lodge we have provided a ceremony to be used at the conferring of this degree, the details of which, of course, cannot be discussed in this body, and we are now confronted with the question of what disposition shall be made of our work. As stated by the grand master last year the question of the authority of the grand lodge to act in this matter is involved, and for that reason we desire to present to you some of the results of our investigation of this degree or ceremony, and its relation to the grand lodge. * * *

The attached supplemental report gives the facts in regard to the control or non-control of the so-called degree of past master by various jurisdictions, and also shows the widespread diversity of opinion of masonic authorities concerning the degree and its relation to the grand lodge. We are averse to any legislation that would assume further control of this so-called degree, by this grand lodge, but * * * Inasmuch as Section No. 172 of the book of constitutions provides that three or more brethren, who have been formally invested with the degree of actual past master, may confer such degree upon any brother who has been duly elected master of a lodge; and inasmuch as Section No. 63 of the book of constitutions invests the custodians of the work with the custody of the forms and ceremonies of this jurisdiction; therefore we recommend that all brethren who may be entitled to confer such degree under Section No. 172 of the book of constitutions secure the proper ceremony from the custodians of the work.

The report and recommendation of the committee met with the approval of the grand lodge.

Brother Guy V. Sternberg was elected grand master, and Brother Charles H. Jacobson was re-elected grand secretary.

Following the installation the retiring grand master, Brother Simons was presented with a past grand masters' jewel, the presentation being made by Past Grand Master Albert R. McGaffey in a felicitous address.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Brother Lawrence N. Greenleaf, being the thirtieth, by him written, and the twenty-eighth in consecutive order. It consists of one hundred thirty pages of well digested matter, and constitutes a brief compendium of contemporaneous activities in the masonic world, as appearing from current reports.

Three of his entertaining pages are allotted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois for 1915. He quotes from Brother Burnap's annual report what is therein said concerning concerted action for the promotion of universal peace; concerning club-rooms adjacent to lodge rooms; the case of the gentleman who invoked the aid of the grand master in relieving him of the undesirable attentions of the lady member of the Eastern Star; the man who sought the grand master's aid in the collection of a debt; the wife who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband, and the man who desired to be made a Mason "At sight," offering to pay the usual fee.

Of the review, he says—

The report on correspondence is from the pen of Past Grand Master Owen Scott, which is a guarantee of its good quality.

The next annual meeting will be held at Denver, September 18, 1917.

Guy V. Sternberg, Grand Master, Grand Junction; Charles H. Jacobson, Grand Secretary, Denver.

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## CONNECTICUT—1917

110 Lodges 129th Annual 26,954 Members

For attractive appearance, clean print and artistic effect the printed proceedings of this grand lodge, as usual, ranks as A No. 1. The volume is adorned by full page pictures of five of the distinguished brethren of the grand lodge, namely, Thomas McKinzie, retiring grand master; Asa P. Fitch, past grand master (deceased); Joseph Buths, grand treasurer; George A. Kies, grand secretary, and com. on correspondence, and Stanley B. Bosworth, past grand treasurer, deceased.

The annual meeting was held at Hartford, commencing on February 7, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers.

Eleven past grand masters dignified the assemblage by their presence, and the representatives of thirty-eight other grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, the envoy of Illinois, Brother George E. Parsons, of this number.

The grand lodge was opened with prayer by the grand chaplain, and if it be not irreverent to classify a prayer as a masterpiece, surely this deserves such designation—

Oh, Thou Eternal and Supreme Architect of this wide universe, who on the trestle-board of the Infinite hast drawn the constellations in their courses, bless thou the craftsmen of thine earthly Temple. As thou are Father of us all, we here are brothers in thy holy presence. Thy Providence has led the broad brotherhood of man down through the checkered pathway of the centuries, through all the lights and shadows of age-long history. We ask thy blessing on us, brothers of this latter age. In prosperity or adversity we need thee. In war or peace we ask thee to be near. And we invoke thy blessing on this war-torn world of ours, to bring the bleeding nations back along the paths of brotherhood to peace. Master on High, we ask thy blessing on our master here, on all our officers, upon all here assembled, and all we represent. Be thou with all the masters who shall come in the days that are to be, and all who shall be under them down through the ages to come, until the last syllable of earthly brotherhood is spoken, and all shall be assem-

bled before the Great Master, in whose name and words we, with one heart and one voice do pray, etc. * * *

The grand master gave an account of his official acts and doings during the year in an address which fills thirty-four pages of the proceedings. Under the topic, ''Necrology,'' announcement is made of the death of Brother Asa P. Fitch, past grand master; Brother Stanley B. Boswoth, grand treasurer, and other brethren of local prominence. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions the names of Brethren William H. Scott and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois, were mentioned. Under the head of ''District Deputies,'' the grand master made complimentary reference to these useful officers and commended their efficient work in promoting the well-being of the institution.

Under the title, ''Inter-jurisdictional Courtesies,'' the grand master reported a number of requests made to lodges of other jurisdictions for lodges of his obedience, and of requests from foreign lodges to Connecticut lodges, for the conferring of degrees through courtesy, all of which were satisfactorily arranged by him, and the several other grand masters concerned.

Nineteen special dispensations were reported, nine for the purpose of enabling lodges to meet at times other than as prescribed by their by-laws; three to enable lodges to confer more than one degree on the same candidate on the same day; one to enable a lodge to confer the second degree on six candidates at the same meeting, and six for other purposes of about the same consequence. Report is made also of the refusal to grant four dispensations applied for, one of which was for the purpose of opening a lodge and conferring a degree on Sunday.

Six pages are filled with the grand master's report of the ceremonial visits by him made to the lodges of his obedience.

Three decisions were announced by the grand master, all interesting, but none of great consequence. In the first reported, it was decided that—

A lodge, attending divine service as a lodge, may wear emblems and regalia, and must be opened and closed in the lodge rooms, and a record made of the proceedings.

Without meaning to be offensive, the question *why?* is suggested. Decision No. 2 was in response to the following—

Is it proper and masonic to assess the members, also the veteran members of the lodge, for the support of a needy brother of same, when there is a small balance in the treasury?

The grand master decided this in the affirmative, and although his holding was approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge, it is believed to be incorrect, and to be contrary to the principles and rules

which should control alms-giving. Concerning "The Masonic Home," the grand master said, in part—

The successful management of the institution is by no means an easy task, and I say to you unhesitatingly the craft of Connecticut are to be congratulated that by the labors and wise counsel of those who from time to time have been selected to govern its affairs, this institution occupies a high and honored position among its kind in this country. * * * Thus we write the account of the events completing the twenty-first year of the Connecticut Masonic Home. As we review the past, with pride in our achievements, may we not look forward hopefully into the future and contemplate a still greater service; a still wider usefulness; a still more beautiful home.

The mention of the masonic home—etc. * * * brings me to the Order of the Eastern Star, for it is particularly in connection with the home that we see the practical beneficence and service of this order, etc. * * * It also gives me pleasure at this time to pay my tribute of honor and respect to this order, which worketh well in the household and gives unstintingly and devotedly to our needy ones.

The grand master reported his attendance at the meeting of the Washington Memorial Association at Alexandria, Va., and spoke in terms of commendation of this project.

The grand master recommended that the grand secretary's salary be increased, and that a more modern method of keeping the accounts of the grand lodge be inaugurated, both of which were agreed to by the Committee on Finance and the grand lodge. The grand secretary's salary was increased to $2000.00 per year.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $35127.76, of which $26862.01 was dues from lodges, and the balance was from divers other sources. The same report shows a net gain in membership during the year of 977.

The special committee to whom the matter of news-paper publicity was referred at the last preceding session of the grand lodge reported, but apparently did not take the serious view of the matter entertained by Past Grand Master Austin, and recommended that no action be taken. On motion it was ordered that this report be mailed to all the lodges.

Brother L. J. Nickerson was elected grand master, and Brother George A. Kies was re-elected grand secretary.

There is a short, but lucid and highly interesting report on correspondence, written by Brother George A. Kies. He entertains some decided views as to the prerogative of the reviewer, and with which this writer is in accord. In his review of Michigan, he says—

Brother Lou B. Winsor, P. G. M. and grand secretary, who (like ourself) is made correspondent ex-officio, furnishes a report of 309 pages. We congratulate ourself that we are not like him, restricted to a senseless gag law, which he quotes, that requires him to refrain from criticism and opin-

ion. For a state so enlightened and progressive as Michigan is in some other particulars, this grand lodge certainly harks back to the dark ages. * * * But if the grand lodge sees fit to shut itself out from valuable information and opinion, we presume it is their affair. As for ourself it would be an impossibility for us to write a report under such restrictions. We concede that our grand lodge often has ample reason for putting us into a reportorial straight-jacket, but we selfishly hope they will not. * * *

Under the head of "Booze," in the conclusion of his report he says—

A masonic periodical states that some Arkansas Masons, who had signed a petition to repeal the state-wide prohibition law, afterwards tried in vain to have their names removed on the ground that they find their act in so signing to be in violation of the edicts of the grand lodge. This is another "straw" which shows up the utter idiocy of the anti-liquor legislation by grand lodges even though their intentions are good. * * * We thank Heaven that our masonic lines are not cast in jurisdictions where such lunacy prevails. We hope that at some future time these jurisdictions will awake to the foolishness, and at least partial inefficacy of such petty restrictions upon the individual. * * *

Our brother's treatment of the proceedings of Illinois, (1916) is generous and cordial. He takes note of what is said in Brother Wheeler's annual report concerning the "Advisory council"; what is therein said concerning the revision of our monitor; and his dissertation on political discussions in lodges. His treatment of the review is somewhat complimentary, not so much from what he says as from his quotations from it. He says—

Conn. 1916, gets a plump three pages of fair-minded review.

He is pleased to indorse the Illinois view that lodges should be styled "Constituent," or "Particular," rather than "Subordinate," as in the review of Florida stated, last year; and as to the propriety of attempting to regulate by legislation the right of a lodge to discipline sojourning members of lodges of foreign jurisdictions, while residing within its territorial jurisdiction, as expressed in the review of Kentucky last year. We are glad to note, that he somewhat softens his expression of regret that Brother Owen Scott was not re-appointed reviewer, by intimating that it was not because he loves Martin less, but Scott, more, making use of Brutus's plea for his part in the conspiracy against Caesar, which makes it all right.

The next Annual will be held at Hartford, February 6, 1918.

Brother L. J. Nickerson, Grand Master, West Cornwall; Brother George A. Kies, Grand Secretary, Hartford.

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Proceedings not received in time for insertion here—if they come later will be at end of report.

## DELAWARE—1916

30 Lodges 106th Annual 10,526 Members

A clean and well printed pamphlet of one hundred forty-five pages contains the record of the activities of this grand lodge for the year, on the fly-leaf of which volume appears a full page photograph of the retiring grand master, Brother Walter W. Bacon. Emergent communications were held as follows: at Smyrna, February 26, 1916, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the new post office at that town, and at Newark, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of "Wolf Hall," at Delaware College. The annual communication was held at Wilmington, October 4, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers. The occasion was dignified by the presence of fourteen past grand masters, and the ambassadors of forty-two foreign grand bodies were seated in the diplomatic circle, the envoy of Illinois not of this number.

There were present, also at the opening Brother William Ralph Meakle, grand master, and Brother Josiah W Ewan, past grand master, both of New Jersey, and the senior grand warden, grand secretary, senior grand deacon and private secretary of the grand master, all of New Jersey.

The record shows that these distinguished visitors were escorted to the "Grand East," saluted with the grand honors, and that in turn, they responded in terms of fraternal love.

The grand master delivered a brief address, reporting the year's activities. In the exodium he happily says—

> Under the guidance of Divine Providence, progress has marked the year's history, and not retrogression; good feeling and harmony, and not disappointment and strife prevail throughout the jurisdiction. * * * It is a fact illustrated and emphasized by experience, that nothing but consistent and intelligent masonic work will give force and power to lodges, that the form of its work should never be departed from, but that uniformity should prevail throughout the lodges, and the fact that the preservation of the usages and landmarks of the craft should be adhered to, needs no discussion.

Our brother's language truly suggests that the axiom, "We learn to do by doing," has an application to Masonry, as well as to every other form of education under the sun.

In terms expressive of deep bereavement the grand master announced the death, during the year of Brethren Henry R. Young and Virginius V. Harrison, past grand masters, also, several other brethren of local

prominence. Elsewhere mention is made of the passing of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

Under the head of "Uniformity of Work," the grand master said—

The progress toward a uniform presentation of work was greatly aided by the grand instructor's visit to various lodges in this jurisdiction, and giving such suggestions as conditions demanded. * * * Uniformity is a great factor in helping lodge officers to realize the possibilities of the growth of the lodges. Masonry is built around certain ideals woven into a beautiful fabric—a ritual. Square and compasses, plumb and level are meaningless unless the truths back of these symbols are thoroughly understood and appreciated. * * *

Concerning the home, he said—

The high sentiment and noble purpose, which finally resulted in the establishment of a masonic home in our state, can now find just cause for congratulation. I take much pleasure in commending the able and satisfactory manner in which its affairs have been conducted by the committee having same in charge. Their work has been an unselfish one, from the unfolding of the proposition up to its glorious consummation and establishment. It is an honor to the masonic bodies of the state. * * * During the year the home received its first bequest from our beloved brother, the late William Marshall, whose departure brought many regrets to his masonic brethren. Etc. * * *

The writer is unable to find in the proceedings any statement of the amount of this bequest.

From the report of the board of managers, it appears that at date of report there were ten "residents" at the home, and that the operating expenses for the past year amounted to $3,722.04.

The grand master reported that he had visited nineteen of the twenty-two lodges under his obedience during the year, and says—

These visits were crowded with pleasure, and on every hand we were received in the most cordial manner.

The grand master reported the conferring by lodges of his obedience of a number of degrees by courtesy for lodges of other grand jurisdictions of which in two instances the work was done for Illinois lodges, namely, for Windsor Park Lodge 836 and Cyrene Lodge 987.

In all the cases of this character reported the preliminaries were arranged by himself and the other grand masters concerned.

Two decisions are reported by the grand master, one of which was approved by the committee and the grand lodge, and one was modified, by the committee, but the grand lodge sustained the grand master.

In number 1, the grand master was asked—

After a brother has been suspended for non-payment of dues, for a period of two months or more, can the lodge make a motion to then remit his dues and re-instate him? Answer: No.

Although this decision passed muster, many of us would like to ask why not?

In number 2 the grand master was asked—

If a brother has made a request for masonic burial, and intends to have his body cremated, can the lodge perform the ceremonies over his remains, or ashes?

To this the answer was "Yes." In its dissent the Committee on Jurisprudence reported—

There is nothing unlawful in holding masonic services over the body of a deceased Master Mason whose body is to be cremated, provided the actual services of commitment to the grave are omitted, and such masonic services are held at the home of the deceased brother, or at a church, or at a crematory before cremation.

The report was argued upon the floor of the grand lodge, where the grand master's unqualified "*Yes,*" was sustained.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $8043.90 of which $2063.50 was on account of grand lodge dues; $2438.00 was per capita for Home Fund, and the balance was derived from various other sources. The same report shows a net gain in membership of 149.

Brother Stuart J. Horn was elected grand master, and Brother Harry J. Guthrie grand secretary.

Following the installation ceremonies the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's jewel and apron.

On page thirty-six of the proceedings it appears that a report on foreign correspondence was presented by Brother Harry J. Guthrie, with the request that it be printed in the proceedings. The record further shows that on motion the report was *accepted and ordered recorded.*

Whatever became of this report, there is no further trace of it in the volume which reached this table, a matter to be sincerely regretted.

The volume at hand contains a list of fifty-six "Approved decisions" of grand masters in force; a list of thirty-nine "Standing resolutions," also in force; (In Delaware, of course) and a list of twenty-five "Landmarks," which are in force generally, and agreed to by all Masons, except those great masonic jurists, who have learned from some of the bodies of imitations of Masonry that it is doubtful whether or not there are any landmarks.

Brother Stuart J. Horn, Grand Master, Wilmington; Brother Harry J. Guthrie, Grand Secretary, Wilmington.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—1916

30 Lodges 106th Annual 10526 Members

A pretentious and well printed volume of 532 pages contains the record of the activities of this grand lodge during the year. The artistic effect is heightened by full page portraits of Brethren, W. W. Jermane, retiring grand master, and Jesse W. Lee Jr., James A. Sample, Francis J. Woodman, and Joseph S. McCoy, all past grand masters, and all deceased.

Stated meetings were held March 11, 1916, May 10, 1916, an "Annual communication" was held December 20, 1916, and a St John's day communication was held December 27, 1916, all of which were presided over by Brother William W. Jermane, grand master. The proceedings note the passing during the year of four past grand masters, namely, Brethren Jesse W. Lee, James A. Sample, Francis J. Woodman and Joseph S. McCoy, and special meetings of the grand lodge were held for the purpose of doing honor to the Memory of these distinguished brethren, respectively. A special meeting was held, also, on June 2, 1916, for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Lincoln M. E. church.

This grand lodge maintains the very commendable practice of giving, annually, an official exemplification of the esoteric work of the three degrees, and the stated meeting above mentioned, held on March 11, was for this purpose. No other business was transacted at this meeting. Every lodge appears to have been represented.

At the meeting held May 10, 1916, a partial report of a special committee to inquire into the management of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home was made, and the committee was granted further time in which to complete its investigation. The report of the committee appointed last year to revise the burial service was likewise heard, but their recommendations for changes were dis-approved by the grand lodge, so the service remains as heretofore.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence reported recommending a number of changes in the code, most of which were agreed to by the grand lodge, but nothing startling or revolutionary is remarked.

At the annual meeting, held December 20, 1916, there were present, besides the grand lodge officers, fourteen past grand masters. At this meeting the grand master delivered an address which fills twenty-five pages of the proceedings, and which gives an account of his official acts during the year, and expresses his views on several subjects.

Under the topic, ''The Dead of the Year,'' he says—

The hand of death has been laid with oppressive weight upon the grand lodge during the year now drawing to a close.* * * Never before in the history of the jurisdiction have so many distinguished members of the fraternity crossed over into the great beyond in a single year.

Whereupon mention is made of the decease of the four past grand masters hereinabove mentioned, with many other brethren of less prominence. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions announcement is made of the passing of Brethren William H. Scott and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois.

The distinguished brother delivers himself of some remarkable language in support of his notion that there should be a working agreement between what he is pleased to call the ''Two Rites'' of Freemasonry in the district. He said—

The two rites of Freemasonry on this continent in my opinion should be knit more closely together than has been the case hitherto. * * * I believe that in this jurisdiction in particular, we should embrace every opportunity for united effort which presents itself, and that at all times there should be sympathetic cooperation between the brethren of the American and Scottish Rite bodies, to the end that we may win greater victories for the truth, etc. * * *

When it is remembered the lodges to whose representatives he was speaking are lineally descended from the Mother Grand Lodge of England; that this grand lodge at time of its formation embraced all the Masonry there was; that no regular Masonry, has since been discovered; that this Masonry, the Masonry of the ancient charges, knows no distinctions save those of Apprentice, Fellow and Master; that this Masonry knows nothing whatever about ''Rites,'' (spelled with a capital R); and that every Master Mason should know that he has the Masonry of the landmarks and ancient charges, and that there is no other or different Masonry, except it be clandestine, this is indeed a remarkable deliverance. The terms ''York Rite,'' and ''Scottish Rite'' are sometimes met with, but not in the vernacular of Masonry. They belong in the terminology of other systems, and Masonry knows nothing about them.

Excellent reasons may be suggested why the side-show should desire a working agreement with the circus, but none on earth can be perceived why the circus should be solicitous for an understanding with the side-show.

Under the topic ''The National Emblem,'' etc., the grand master recommended that the Committee on ''Work and Lectures,'' report at the meeting to be held in May, outlining the practice in Illinois, and certain other jurisdictions, to enable the grand lodge to determine whether or not a flag ceremony shall be adopted.

Concerning the "Masters' Association," the grand master said—

I desire to pay a tribute of praise to the Masters' Association of 1916. A more loyal band of brethren never has supported a grand master in this jurisdiction. They have shared equally with me the burdens and responsibilities of the year. They have been my advisers and my efficient helpers, etc. * * *

Continuing, and with no apparent purpose to be funny, he said—

Their most important work was the management of the annual base-ball game for the benefit of the Endowment Fund of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. * * * From the Association came the suggestion that the game be played between teams representing Almas Temple on the one hand, and Kallipolis Grotto on the other hand. The suggestion had all the force of an inspiration, etc. * * * The net receipts of the game were slightly in excess of five thousand one hundred dollars.* * *

It is suggested that for next year a game be staged between a team selected from the A. P. A. on the one side, and from the Knights of Columbus on the other. The Home proposition, insofar as it tends to educate the individual brother, who desires to be a helper, in giving in aid of those who are dependent, is all right, but the shifting of this prerogative of relieving the distressed, and fastening it upon the public, through the device of a base-ball game may do for the District of Columbia, but we hope it will not be resorted to in Illinois.

Six special dispensations were issued, permitting the conferring of degrees upon six candidates at one and the same time, and eleven were issued permitting the conferring of degrees in advance of the constitutional time.

Under the head of "Masonic Clubs," etc., the grand master reported that—

There are now thirteen of the clubs, with an aggregate membership of almost three thousand. * * * I am informed by the chairman of the Advisory Committee that the clubs have done much in the way of relief to brethren in distress. * * * It has been estimated that there are more than two thousand members of the fraternity in this jurisdiction, nearly all of them in government service whose home lodges are in other parts of the country. These brethren are in no position to be helpful to the fraternity or to be helped by it, excepting as they may come under the influence of the masonic clubs. * * *

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $16,290.90, of which $10,424.00 was dues from lodges; $3,776.63 was assessments for the home, and the balance was derived from divers other sources. The table of returns shows a net gain in membership during the year of 355.

The Committee on Correspondence reported on the matter of a petition for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Argentine, and although the committee says that—

The petitioning body in Argentine is the one listed in the International Bureau, and is probably the veritable Grand Lodge of Argentine, etc.

Yet the committee desired, and was granted further time for report. The grounds assigned for this request are that the Committee on Correspondence for the Grand Lodge of New York had refused to recommend recognition of this grand lodge for the reason that—

There seems to be a contention between two or more *soi-distant* bodies there.

The election of grand lodge officers for the ensuing year was held at the St. John's day communication, December 27, 1916, and resulted in the election of Brother James W. Witten, as grand master, and the re-election of Brother Arvine W. Johnston, as grand secretary. Following his installation the grand master elect delivered an address which, if taken at its face value, would appear to augur well for his administration, and promises something more ennobling, and more in consonance with the dignity of Freemasonry, than pulling off base-ball games to support the home. The brother properly laments the growing lack of individual effort in masonic activities, and cites, as a contributing cause, the fact that—

There are now-a-days so many associated and centralized efforts for help, uplift, benevolence and charity, upon which men have come to rely, that it is to them we as individuals are prone to leave the doing of the things that we personally should do. In other words we attempt to be good and kind and benevolent by proxy, and are too apt to excuse ourselves and our lack of personal effort on the ground that there is somewhere some kind of an institution, some lodge, church or other association whose duty it is, and whose business it is to preach the gospel of right living, etc. * * * In failing to respond to the demands that call for individual effort along the lines of personal duty, in failing to properly exercise the nobler faculties that God has given us, we lose the largest opportunities, and neglect the development in our own lives, from which our largest happiness can possibly come. * * * The tendency of the present day to shirk individual effort, to avoid individual responsibility, as it presents itself to my mind, is one that calls, and calls loudly, for the arousal and awakening of ourselves and others to a fuller realization of our own personal responsibility, to the necessity for individual effort; and so impressed am I with this thought, I shall make it my first and constant aim to bring both myself and others to a fuller consciousness of the fact that the teachings of our craft make it the imperative duty of each of us to build ourselves into larger and better men and Masons. * * *

These are fine words, and ring very differently from the account of financing the home from the gate receipts of ball games.

The best things to be found in this rather unusually interesting volume are, however, in the report on foreign correspondence. It is by Brother George W. Baird, as heretofore, and fills one hundred ninety pages. His treatment of the Proceedings of Illinois (1916), is cordial and considerate. He takes note of what is stated in Grand Master Wheeler's report concerning the Advisory Board; also, what is said concerning the schools, and the lecture

feature inaugurated. He mentions the report of the exercise of discipline, and says—

The only pleasant part of which is, that the grand master acted well his part.

He notes the condition of our homes in the address reported, and the visit of the children from La Grange to the grand lodge. He notices the termination of our lawsuit with the school-board of La Grange, and stigmatizes the effort of the board to oblige us to pay tuition as a "High-handed ruling."

He takes occasion to commend the reports of the Committee on Charity, in particular for omitting names of beneficiaries, and the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, for omitting names of parties accused.

He is pleased to commend the work of the Committee on Correspondence, for which we thankfully tender our acknowledgement.

Brother JAMES W. WITTEN, Grand Master, Washington, D. C.; Brother ARVINE W. JOHNSTON, Grand Secretary, Washington, D. C.

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## ENGLAND—1916

Meetings of the Grand Lodge of England were held on April 26, 1916, and June 7, 1916, at both of which "Bro. the Rt. Hon. Theo. Frederick Halsy, P. C., the Deputy Grand Master," presided. There were present at the June meeting 209 masters, 203 wardens, 769 past masters and 273 grand officers, a total of 1454.

The business of the grand lodge is conducted almost entirely by the Board of General Purposes, which at this meeting reported the formation of several new lodges, and among the rest was one formed of the English Masons interned in the Netherlands, calling it by an unpronouncable name, said to mean hospitality.

Immediately following the opening of the grand lodge the deputy grand master announced a "Message From The Throne," as follows—

I am desired by the M. W. grand master to state that having regard to the unprecedented character of the present war and the intense feelings it has aroused, which show no sign of abatement, the grand master has decided that during its progress, and until such time, after the treaty of peace has been signed, as in the future he may determine, there shall be no intercourse or exchange of representatives between the United Grand Lodge of England and the grand lodges in enemy countries, and that such grand lodges shall be omitted during that period from the list of bodies in the "Masonic Year Book," recognized in association with this grand lodge.

In language expressive of deep emotion the deputy grand master announced the death of Bro. Earl Kitchener. He said (in part)—

We as Masons deplore the loss of one of our most distinguished brethren; a brother who has done valuable service to the craft as well as to his country. In addition to being a past grand warden of England he has held the office of district grand master of Egypt, and the Sudan, that of district grand master of the Punjab; and in that capacity, as in everything that he undertook, he has done his duty, as I know by special knowledge that comes to one in the position I hold. Brethren, I hardly know what to say. Independently of the craft, we as Englishmen, mourn his loss, but this at least I can say, that as Englishmen we owe him a debt of gratitude which can never be repaid, and England will hold his name in honour from now onwards, after all of us have passed away, into the remotest generations in the future history of our country. He has raised the great army, known familiar as Kitchener's Army. That alone is an achievement such as would fall to the lot of very few of us to accomplish, even if we had had the opportunity. * * * Brethren, he has died in the service of his country. * * * There was a poem written 100 years ago about one of our distinguished generals of that time who was killed in the hour of victory; I mean Sir John Moore, after the battle of Corunna. In that poem it is said—

> "Little he'll reck if they let him sleep on
> In a grave where a Briton has laid him."

Well, Lord Kitchener sleeps in the proudest grave in which he could have been laid; in the sea, in one of our English ships, surrounded and supported by those who have so nobly upheld the name of England and the power of England; I do not think we could have wished him—I do not think he could have wished himself—a better sepulcher, a better grave, in which to sleep his last sleep, etc. * * *

The brethren signified their acquiescense in this sentiment by standing while the grand organist played the "Dead March in Saul." A change in the make-up of the Board of General Purposes was effected at this meeting, whereby the provincial grand lodges which have, apparently hitherto been kept on short pasture, are given representation. By the adoption of an amendment, after much discussion, the several district grand lodges are to be accorded representation on this tribunal, which is practically the whole grand lodge.

The board invited attention to a resolution looking to arrangements for a bi-centennary celebration of the birth of the grand lodge, and the meeting of a committee for that purpose, but upon the declaration of war, the committee adjourned *sine die*. It has been decided though, that as the aforesaid anniversary falls on Sunday, it will be suggested to lodges to meet and hold special services on the Saturday preceding.

The annual grand feast took place on the 26th of April, 1916, and was largely attended, representatives from all the provincial grand lodges being in attendance. The director of ceremonies proclaimed the re-election of the grand master (the Duke of Connaught), and the appointment of Lord Ampt-

hill as deputy grand master, and all the other officers of the grand lodge, all appearing to be appointive except that of grand treasurer. Though we get our Masonry from England (either directly or indirectly), yet our method of selecting office bearers is quite different from theirs.

At this meeting the grand lodge engaged in its annual by-play, or pastime, of conferring honorary past grand rank, whereby no fewer than twenty-six souls were made happy, at very slight expense. Those who justify this custom, which to most of us smacks of the puerile, say that it has a tendency to encourage distinguished men to take an interest in the affairs of Masonry. Possibly there may be some force in this, but those of us who entertain no ambition, masonically speaking, but the ambition to be serviceable, regard both the conferring and the wearing of honorary rank as rather childish.

The financial statistics given show the appropriation and expenditure of large sums of money in the various forms of benevolence incident to the suffering occasioned by the war, contributions to which are acknowledged from all the provincial grand lodges, and many foreign bodies.

There is nothing in the pamphlets on this table to intimate either the number of lodges or members. There is no report on foreign correspondence.

Bro. Sir Edward Leithchworth, Grand Secretary.

## FLORIDA—1917

243 Lodges 88th Annual 13,364 Members

The book of proceedings of this grand lodge is printed in clear, plain type, on firm and decent paper, and is not only interesting on account of the matter which it contains, but compared with some other volumes which have reached this table, the study of it is a joy. The annual meeting was held at Jacksonville, commencing January 16, 1917, and the grand lodge appears to have been opened and presided over by the deputy grand master, Brother A. S. York. Eleven past grand masters lent dignity to the occasion by their presence, and the ambassadors of forty-two foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother James C. Craver, the representative of Illinois, of this number.

Following the opening ceremonies, and the appointment of committees, the grand secretary read a letter from the grand master, Brother James E. Crane, in part as follows—

I find that matters over which I have no control make it absolutely impossible for me to be present with the brethren at the meeting of the grand lodge. I am therefore sending you herewith my report and address. * * * I am also sending the grand master's jewel and seal. * * *

Thereupon the address, in the letter referred to, was read to the grand lodge by Past Grand Master E. E. Haskell, and with the numerous, and somewhat voluminous exhibits, it covers forty-eight pages of the proceedings. In the exordium it is said—

While the ravages of a world war are bringing untold misery and desolation in many lands, laying waste fertile fields, leveling factories and industrial plants, destroying homes, churches, edifices of art and learning, and worst of all, drenching Mother Earth in the precious blood of millions of her sons our land and state are permitted the inestimable gifts of peace and prosperity. * * * Let us rise and bow our heads, while the grand chaplain offers prayer to the Lord God Almighty.

An appropriate and eloquent prayer was then offered by the grand chaplain, whereupon the grand lodge was seated and the address was continued. Under the head of "Necrology," it is said that—

I am pleased to say that no officer, or distinguished past officer of our grand lodge has been summoned by the Great Architect of the universe to the Celestial Lodge above.

Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, the names of Brethren William H. Scott and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois, are mentioned.

The address shows the constituting of eight lodges, one by the grand master in person, and seven by proxy, and the granting of eight dispensations to form new lodges. The laying of sixteen corner stones is reported, two of which are shown to have been laid by the grand master, and the balance by proxy, it is presumed. Quite a number of special dispensations were issued, one of which was to permit a lodge to take a second ballot on a candidate for initiation, it being shown to the satisfaction of the grand master that a member had cast a black-ball by mistake, due to failing eye-sight.

This shows the wisdom of the practice of some lodges in using white balls for favorable ballot, and *black cubes* for rejection.

Twenty-three decisions by the grand master are reported, most of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, but some were modified, and two were reversed. Two of them related to physical qualifications, in one of which it was decided that a man with a "cork leg" was ineligible for initiation, and in the other that a candidate with a slightly disfigured hand is eligible. In one of the decisions modified by the committee it was held that a petition for affiliation must be referred to a committee, and lay over till the next stated meeting for report, before balloting. The committee in its dissent pointed out that under their code a petition by a Master Mason

for membership might be acted upon *instanter*, without reference to a Committee of Investigation. We make no doubt that the committee correctly interpreted the Florida law, but if so, the law is wrong, and the grand master's decision was right. The grand master has in all probability been at some time in his life the master of a lodge, and if so, took upon himself the installation vow, in common with all masters of regular lodges, one clause of which is as follows—

You admit that no person can be regularly made a Mason in, *or admitted a member of*, any regular lodge, without previous notice and due inquiry into his character.

the grand master's decision is in conformity with the letter of this clause of the installation vow, as master of a lodge, and it is of more nearly universal application, and grounded on better reason than any mistaken law permitting action "instanter." All this without intending any criticism of the right worshipful committee.

In one of his decisions the grand master held that a club might be formed exclusively of Master Masons, and that such club might affiliate with the national league of masonic clubs if they do not use the term masonic, or any word that would indicate a connection with Freemasonry. This the committee reversed, holding it to be an attempt to evade the provisions of the edict last year adopted, as in the review noted (Appendix, part 1, page 46.) As we last year intimated the edict is wrong, and an unwarranted restriction upon the rights of members of lodges. The attitude of the grand master of Florida last year, as well as this, in the matter of clubs, is in substantial compliance with our Illinois notions.

Decision No. 7 is to the effect that a member suspended by a Florida lodge for n. p. d. could be buried with masonic rites, as his application for re-instatement had been sent in before his death.

In reversing this holding it is well said by the committee—

A member suspended for n. p. d. cannot be buried with masonic ceremonies unless he has been reinstated by lodge action before death.

Under the topic, "Committee on Work" the grand master reported—

They have held four large and very successful schools of instruction at central points throughout the state during the year, and it was a great pleasure and benefit to me to be present with them at their meeting in Tampa. Besides these central schools of instruction, many districts and lodge schools of instruction have been held by these self-sacrificing, hard working committee members, and much good accomplished for those who could not go to the large schools. The work of this committee is of the greatest importance to the grand lodge, and its work should receive the most substantial and unstinted support. * * *

Incorporated into the grand master's address are the reports of the several district deputy grand masters, which are quite interesting, and tend to show reasonably careful supervision of the work of the lodges, and that

their general condition is good. The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the aggregate sum of $24,013.05 of which $13,382.00 was on account of the General Fund; $6,249.00 on account of the Home and Orphanage Fund; $3,115.25 on account of Masonic Relief Fund, and the balance from divers others sources.

The same report shows a net gain in membership during the year of 640.

On the afternoon of the first day Judge Charles A. Wilson of Louisville, Ky., was introduced to the grand lodge and delivered a fine sample of Kentucky oratory, his speech being in the nature of an exortation, urging the brethren of Florida to at once embark in the institutional form of administering charity by establishing a home. His deliverance was highly poetic, and eloquent, not to say per-fervid, but, when he made use of argument, he proved too much for those of us who have had experience in the administration of these institutions. For instance—

Quite sure am I that there are from two to three thousand Masons now residents of Florida who retain their membership in the states from whence they come because they fear to deprive their wives and children of those safeguards provided in the form of masonic homes. A case I found in point in St. Petersburg, when a most ardent member of the craft, said, "It would be a source of happiness could I affiliate with St. Petersburg Lodge, but it would be unfair to my wife and little ones whom I may not be able to provide for in case of my death;—now they can go to a masonic home, should I die first, but if I affiliate here they would be in an awful fix, etc. * * *

This argument of our distinguished brother tends to show how necessary it is that in lodges in grand jurisdictions where the institutional form of bestowing alms has been adopted a very careful inquiry into the character, motives and purposes of applicants for the degrees, or membership, should be made. Florida is just embarking in the home business, and when such enterprise is in working order to the satisfaction of the St. Petersburg brother above quoted, presumably he, and the other "from two to three thousand," may seek to become members of Florida lodges, but if admitted, will the result be an increase in the working, effective force of the grand lodge of Florida, or an increase in possible dependents? Will the result be an increase in assets, or in liabilities? It would appear that the St. Petersburg brother, and the other from two to three thousand are planning with reference to becoming liabilities rather than assets, and they, and all such as they, should be hunting up some insurance company, rather than a masonic lodge. A well regulated masonic lodge furnishes a healthful environment for the exertion of the intellectual, moral and spiritual activities of man, and as such is, through the grace of God, an effective agency for "resisting the devil and all his works."

When a new member is admitted, it should be because of his possibility as an asset. If he himself is planning to become a liability, rather than an asset, he may well be taken at his own valuation and left where he belongs.

The efficiency as a working force, of the institution of Masonry, or of any particular lodge, is measured by the number of members thereof who are possessed by the ambition to contribute to the bearing of the world's burdens, and those who are wanting in this ambition are likely to find in Masonry but little to their taste, besides the insurance feature desired by the St. Petersburg brother, and as above intimated, all such should be steered to the office of some respectable insurance company, rather than to a masonic lodge. This comment on our distinguished brother's argument,—not for the purpose of suggesting any backward step in the maintenance of masonic homes, but rather to emphasize the necessity of exercising the utmost care and discretion in their management, and to protest against any and all tendencies to bringing Masonry to the level of an ordinary death benefit society or insurance company. Our homes should be so operated as to constitute a challenge to all who are ambitious to help, rather than a haven for those who are planning to be helped.

A committee appointed a year ago to investigate the home proposition reported, and the grand lodge authorized the appointment of a special committee by the grand master, with power to determine the site for the home and orphanage, and thereafter to erect such a home as in their judgment will meet the needs of the grand jurisdiction. As a starter, this committee has as cash available, for this purpose, the sum of $40,985.48, to wit, of grand lodge funds $38,198.71, of Eastern Star fund $2,796.77.

At the last session of the grand lodge it was ordered that the Committee on Work (corresponding with our Board of Grand Examiners), prepare and publish a revision of the monitor, and in the report of this committee it is said—

Early in the year we held a meeting at DeLand, and with the valuable assistance of Brother S. B. Wright made up the printer's copy of the revision which was forwarded to the publishers. In October we were informed that the copy had been lost or destroyed. And in November the committee was re-convened, and again made a second full set of printers' copy, which was forwarded to them. After this annoying delay we are just in receipt of the proofs of the first two degrees only, and owing to reasons as stated above are unable to deliver the monitor, etc. * * *

The committee was ordered to complete its work, to arrange for the securing of the copyright, and for its sale at the actual cost, just as we in Illinois did last year.

At ten o'clock a. m. of the second day the tedium of the session's labors was relieved by an oration delivered by the grand orator, Brother Lincoln Hulley, his theme being, "The Masonic Ideal; a Character of Stainless Honor."

It is a carefully prepared discourse, and furnishes good reading. Brother A. S. York was elected grand master and Brother Wilber P. Webster was re-elected grand secretary.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Dispensation and By-laws it was ordered that charters issue to nine new lodges.

The report on foreign correspondence fills two hundred ten pages, and is from the pen of Brother Silas B. Wright, past grand master, and is fully up to the usual standard of excellence which characterizes the work of this distinguished brother. Seven of his interesting pages are devoted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois for 1916, and his notes are discriminating and eminently fair and cordial. In characterizing the grand master's report he says—

The address of the grand master is a masterly business-like presentation of the many matters coming to his attention.

He takes notice of the grand master's report of the successful working of his Advisory Board, and the assistance rendered by the district deputy grand masters, in the administration of the affairs of the grand lodge. He notes what the grand master reported concerning the schools, and particularly the setting apart of one evening for a lecture or oration.

He reproduces the substance of what the grand master said concerning the flag, and the steps taken concerning the monitor.

He mentions the decision of the Supreme Court of Illinois, in re Herbert Ashley et al. vs. Board of Education, and re-produces the substance of the decision.

He was pleased to quote from the "Salutatory" to the report on correspondence, and says, concerning the review of his own grand lodge, therein—

Florida for 1916 receives six pages of excellent resume of our proceedings.

He notes the comments therein in re "Constituent lodges," "Particular lodges" and "Subordinate lodges," and is pleased to concur in the notions of this writer, as therein expressed.

The next Annual will be held at Jacksonville, January 8, 1918.

Brother Appelles S. York, Grand Master, Live Oak; Brother Wilber P. Webster, Grand Secretary, Jacksonville.

## GEORGIA—1916

661 Lodges 130th Annual 42,749 Members

The volume of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by a fine full-page portrait of Brother Frank O. Miller, grand master, and contains three hundred thirty-seven pages, presenting a fair record of the transactions of the grand lodge for the year.

The annual meeting was held at Macon, commencing on October 31, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form on the Master's degree, by the grand master, Brother N. H. Ballard, after prayer by the grand chaplain. Six past grand masters gave tone to the assemblage, and the representatives of sixty-three foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother Joseph Gregg, Jr., the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address fills forty-six pages, and recounts his official acts and doings during the year, and gives expression of his views on a number of matters.

Under the head of "Necrology" he announces the passing during the year of their distinguished and beloved grand secretary, Brother William Alexander Wolihin, and many other brethren of local prominence. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions mention is made of the passing of Brother William Hayes Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

Concerning the home the grand master said—

The masonic home is the most important question that I have to present for your consideration. In its inception it met with serious opposition. It took many years for the few who fought so nobly for the realization of their hopes and the fulfillment of their dreams, yet today it is firmly implanted in the love and affection of Georgia Masonry.

Continuing the grand master announced the appointment of a committee to determine whether or not it was expedient to change the location of the home, and some other questions concerning its management, and of the report and findings of this committee says—

The committee unanimously agreed that the present site (Macon) is the proper location of the masonic home. * * * Again, they announced a general principle that is fundamental, that the home can never be a success, harboring in the same building the old and the young. There must be a separation. In this separation I heartily commend their recommendations that as far as possible the old be cared for in the localities where they have spent most of their lives, and that the entire burden of their support and maintenance be not borne by the grand lodge, but that it be shared by the subordinate lodge. Furthermore, I heartily commend that part of their report looking forward to a permanent endowment of the home, etc. * * *

It elsewhere appears that the sum of $12,202.74 was expended on account of the home, of which the sum of $12,000.00 was appropriated by the

grand lodge, and the balance was derived from divers sources. The number sustained is not stated in the proceedings.

The grand master reported twenty-four decisions, mostly in the nature of constructions of their code, none of them of very great consequence to outsiders, and all of them approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, except three which were disapproved by the committee and the grand lodge. In No. 11 a case was put as follows—

A member of this lodge has drifted into a life that is very unbecoming, and has almost gotten to the line of deadbeat; will not pay his debts when he can; has been accused of embezzlement in another territory, and is also accused of arson. His presence in our lodge is very repulsive to a majority of the membership, and while we as yet are unable to make a specific charge of unmasonic conduct, a general charge can be made and all necessary evidence for conviction be had.

On this state of facts the grand master ruled—

You are authorized to prefer charges on the grounds that the man's reputation in the community is such that it reflects discredit upon the fraternity, etc. * * *The lodge would be authorized to find him guilty on such charges as stated in your letter, and to expel him, if they see fit, etc. * * *

In other words, expel him on general principles. In disapproving of this ruling the committee pertinently said—

Charges based solely upon *rumor* or disrepute, without evidence of specific offense or misconduct against the laws or honor of the order would tend to encourage slander and backbiting, etc. * * * If any brother by any overt act or by continuous improper practices should bring reproach upon the order of Freemasonry, or if he shall do anything contrary to the good order, peace and dignity to the craft, he is subject to charges, trial and discipline.

In No. 22, the grand master decided that in the matter of balloting upon petitions for the degrees—

Where a lodge certifies to the grand master that they believe an honest mistake has been made, I believe that the grand master should be permitted to authorize a new ballot which shall be final.

Dissenting from this opinion the committee held that—

A ballot once declared by the master of a lodge is final and conclusive.

Dissenting from the grand master's decision No. 23, which presented a question relating to physical qualifications, the committee held, as is presumed correctly—

If any candidate for the mysteries of Freemasonry possesses any physical defect which causes him not to conform to the standard set out in our laws, or that may render him incapable of learning the art of Freemasonry, he shall be ineligible.

The grand master reported the issuance of five dispensations to form new lodges, and of one hundred eighty-one special dispensations. Of the latter one was for the purpose of enabling a lodge to hold a meeting without its

charter (same having been destroyed by fire); eleven to permit lodges to change places of meeting; twenty-one to change time of stated meeting; thirty-four to confer degrees "Out of time"; forty-four to hold election or installation at times other than as in the by-laws provided, and seventy to permit lodges to confer the degrees upon a greater number of candidates than by law permitted at one meeting. Among the last named is reported a dispensation to Lebanon Lodge No. 655 to confer the E. A. degree on thirty-one candidates at one and the same communication; to the same lodge at a later date a dispensation to confer the F. C. degree on eighteen candidates at the same communication, and at a still later date a dispensation to Gate City Lodge to confer the M. M. degree on twelve candidates at the same communication. This all must admit is going some.

The grand master reported the constituting of eight new lodges, all by proxy, and the laying of thirteen corner stones, one in person, and twelve by proxy.

Seven pages of the address are devoted to an account of the visits of the grand master to the lodges of his obedience, and much Georgia oratory is employed in acknowledgement of his official receptions, on the occasion of these visits.

The grand master reports the calling of twelve "conventions," the purpose of which is not definitely stated, and says—

These masonic conventions have done a great deal of good in Georgia, especially in bringing a large number of Masons together, developing the social features, and giving brethren the opportunity of becoming acquainted who otherwise would have been strangers to each other. As a rule the exemplification of the degrees is done in a most creditable manner. * * *

It appears that eleven such conventions were held during the year. Continuing under the same topic, the grand master says—

I am watching with interest an experiment in the twelfth district. They have appointed a lecturer, and pay his expenses. He is to visit every lodge in the district with the idea of increasing the interest of the lodge in Masonry, as well as to improve them in the *spiritualistic work.*

It is not clear to this writer just what is comprehended in the expression "spiritualistic work."

Under the head of "Masonic Research, Libraries, etc.," the grand master delivered some pronounced opinions, filling five pages with his views. He said (in part)—

The Grand Lodge of Georgia is one of the oldest in America. With the establishment of the colony Masonry was introduced. A lodge chartered at that time is still in existence, and a member of this grand lodge, yet, if you wish to be one of the progressive grand jurisdictions of the world, it will not be based upon age nor upon number of lodges or members, but entirely upon the intelligence of its membership. * * * A short while ago it might have

been well for a grand jurisdiction to have by a few bright Masons; however the present demands, if we ever hope to take the rank to which our number and age entitles us , that a majority of the craft shall be instructed in its history, object and achievements. A beginning along this line has been made at Augusta. A masonic study club has been organized at that place. Great interest is manifested, and prizes are offered for the best essays on certain phases of the ritual. It is hoped that such clubs will multiply rapidly. * * *

The grand master quotes from a report what according to the notion of this writer, very completely defines the correct view with reference to this matter of masonic research, and which should be kept in mind, whether we are in the van in following this rather meritorious fad, or not—

The grand lodge, and the lodges, can certainly do something for us—but. at last, it depends upon the *individual Mason doing something for himself.*

The grand master reported the arrest of two charters for cause, and that one charter had been voluntarily surrendered during the year. Under order of the grand master the masters of two lodges were removed from office, placed on trial and recommended for expulsion during the year.

The grand master devotes a page of his address to the expression of his views concerning "The Ritual And Its Promulgation," the gist of which is as follows—

There is a work which is ancient and has been preserved fairly pure in several grand jurisdictions. It is known as the Webb-Preston work. The Baltimore convention of 1843 adopted this work with very slight changes. This ritual was introduced into Georgia in 1844, and in a few years became prevalent all over the state. The echo of it is still heard in many old lodges. The return to such a ritual will meet my hearty approval, etc. * * * However, I am firmly convinced that whatever means we may use to retain or promulgate it in its purity, no satisfactory solution will be obtained until master and wardens are required to be proficient in the ritual adopted before installation.

From the record it appears that—

At three o'clock (first day of the session) the entire body assembled under direction of the grand marshal, Frank F. Baker, the line was formed and proceeded to the site of the new Macon City Hospital, where the corner stone of that building was laid with the full, imposing and beautiful rites of our order. * * *

Fitting and eloquent addresses were delivered by the grand master, and by Col. Orville A. Park, chairman of the Hospital Committee.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence, the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was accorded fraternal recognition.

The report of the Finance Committee shows the receipts for the year on account of the General Fund of the sum of $42,508.26 and on account of the Charity Fund of the sum of $1,389.80.

The table of returns of lodges shows a net gain in membership during the year of 1,252. The report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances is quite voluminous, and shows some peculiar practices by our Georgia brethren. In the first place it appears that a lodge cannot suspend, or expel a member, but can only recommend the sentence it wishes to impose to the grand lodge, and the sentence becomes operative when the grand lodge has imposed sentence. It further appears that a lodge cannot re-instate one of its suspended members, but can only recommend for re-instatement. It further appears that non-payment of dues is, in Georgia, an offense punishable by expulsion.

In the report of the Committee under Consideration forty-six cases had been recommended by constituent lodges for expulsion, for unmasonic conduct, and on recommendation of the committee they were all expelled in a block. Ninety-eight cases had been recommended by the constituent lodges for suspension for non-payment of dues, but on recommendation of the committee the sentence of *expulsion* was passed upon them in bulk. In twenty-two cases where lodges had unanimously recommended restoration the brethren under sentence were restored, and in six cases restoration was denied for the reason that the papers did not on their face disclose the offences, severally, for which the brethren were under sentence.

Lodges should have the right to suspend, and to expel, subject to the right of any proper party to the proceedings to appeal. They should also have the right to re-instate suspended members upon petition, especially in cases where the only offense is non-payment of dues. However, a law which permits either the lodge or the grand lodge to expel for non-payment of dues imposes a harsh rule, and in some cases might subject a brother entirely without fault to the same hardship as a flagrant wrong-doer.

In addition to this class of cases coming before the committee from the lodges for approval, there were quite a number of cases before it which had been regularly appealed.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters, nine new lodges were granted charters.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on General Welfare, a form for petition for the degrees, a form for reference of such petition, and a form of report of investigating committee were all adopted; on recommendation of the same committee the Washington Memorial was indorsed; also, the Committee on Code Revision was granted further time in which to report.

It appears that our Georgia brethren have been attempting to acquire a fund for the erection of a temple, as a home for the grand lodge, and a Home Fund at the same time, but have found it expedient to give the matter

of the home the right of way, and postpone the temple project. Ten thousand dollars for the Temple Fund were diverted to the Home Fund last year, and at this session the following was adopted: —

Resolved, that the sum of fifty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of making additions to the home, said amount to be withdrawn from the sum now set apart for building a new temple. * * *

Brother Frank O. Miller was elected grand master, and Brother Frank F. Baker grand secretary.

There is a well-written report on foreign correspondence by Brother Raymond Daniel, consisting of 170 pages. Although this is Brother Daniel's first report, its character shows him to be no novice. In his introduction he expresses some pronounced views. Concerning the conditions abroad incident to the European war he says—

The drama, or rather pitiless tragedy of war, occupies the stage of the world, and the proceedings of foreign grand jurisdictions are mostly devoted to its discussion. Masonic patriotism runs through the pages of every recounting of the countries involved. Between the lines can be seen the unwritten horror and concern. In some instances all evidences of brotherly love are eliminated, as illustrated by the Grand Lodge of England and other foreign grand bodies in the severance of all relationships with grand jurisdictions of the enemy country. While their individual feeling can be well recognized, the masonic sentiment comes as a distinct shock. Masons will remember the spirit that prevailed between the forces in our war between the states, when, although brother was pitted against brother, Masonry was regarded by military foes, even though all other principles were at variance. To our knowledge it is the first time in history that the rights of masonic brotherhood have been disregarded, etc. * * *

Three of our brother's interesting pages are devoted to the Proceedings of Illinois for 1915. He notes what the grand master said concerning concerted action for universal peace; his report of the case of the gentleman desiring to be relieved of the undesirable attentions of the lady who was supposed to be a member of the O. E. S.; the man who desired to be made a Mason "At sight"; his ruling concerning clubs adjacent to lodges and the new hospital at Sullivan.

The next Annual will be held at Macon, October 30, 1917.

Brother Frank O. Miller, Grand Master, Macon; Brother Frank F. Baker, Grand Secretary, Macon.

## HOLLAND

Proceedings not received in time for insertion here—if they come later will be at end of report.

## IDAHO—1916

63 Lodges 49th Annual 4,811 Members

A fine portrait of the grand master, Brother John D. Bloomfield, adorns the frontispiece of the Idaho Proceedings, and elsewhere in the volume appears the likenesses of Brother Jonas Warren Brown, past grand master, and Brother Theo. W. Randall, grand secretary emeritus, (both deceased), and a group picture of fourteen of the past grand masters of Idaho.

Two special meetings of the grand lodge were held during the year, one at Boise, April 9th, for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Brother Randall, late grand secretary emeritus, and one at Moscow (date not given), for the purpose of laying the corner stone of a masonic building.

The annual meeting was held at Twin Falls, September 12, 1916, and was opened in ample form, and presided over by Brother Francis Jenkins, grand master, all the other grand lodge officers being in their places except the junior grand warden and the junior grand steward. It appears that the junior grand warden was on military duty on the Mexican border, but the occasion of the absence of the junior steward is not shown. Thirteen foreign grand bodies were represented in the diplomatic circle, Illinois not of this number.

The grand master's address fills thirteen pages of the proceedings, and contains an account of his official acts and doings.

With becoming expressions of sorrow he notes the passing of Brother Theo. W. Randall, grand secretary emeritus.

Elsewhere in the volume is announced the passing of Brother Jonas Warren Brown, past grand master, and at the time of his death, grand chaplain. He was a member of the grand lodge from its formation in 1867. At the annual session under review he officiated as grand chaplain, and at the close of the session returned to his home at Boise, where after a few hours' sickness he died, and was buried by the grand lodge the Sunday following the close of the annual session. It appears that he had attended every annual session of the Grand Lodge of Idaho, save one.

The grand master reported the granting of twelve special dispensations for the purpose of enabling lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as prescribed by the by-laws, to change place of meeting, and like purposes.

The grand master reported seventeen decisions all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge except 1, 2 and 12 which were modified.

In Decisions 1 and 2 the grand master decided that one under sentence of suspension for non-payment of dues was "without the pale," and could not be placed on trial for un-masonic conduct while under such sentence. In the dissenting opinion of the committee it is said—

A mason under suspension, for any reason, is as completely within the power and duty, for the purpose of discipline, of the lodge as the members thereof."

In No. 12 the grand master held that a "contributing member" could not be counted as a member for the purpose of constituting a quorum, but that he might participate in the business of the lodge. The committee held that—

A member of a lodge cannot be accepted and reported as a contributing member of another lodge. Neither can a contributing member acquire any right to participate in the business transactions of the lodge.

In No. 11 the grand master was asked—

Can you inform me as to the reliability of the Masonic Protective Association of ————, Mass.? I have been considering taking the agency for it, but do not wish to, unless it is reliable and has the approval of the fraternity.

To this the grand master replied—

The very name is usually adopted for nothing else than to delude unwary Masons. No grand jurisdiction to my knowledge has ever given its official sanction to any insurance concern. On the contrary, grand masters have repeatedly sounded warnings. * * * However, I am not passing any judgment, favorable, or unfavorable, upon the concern of which you wrote.

Under the head of Correspondence, the grand master reported that one of the lodges under his obedience had rendered assistance to a sojourner from a Washington lodge, and a bill had been furnished the latter lodge in the sum of $405.00, which the said lodge declined to pay. Enough of the correspondence is reported to disclose the above facts, with the additional fact that the beneficiary of this bounty of the Idaho lodge was under sentence of suspension. This part of the address was referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, which recommended that—

The incoming grand master reopen the case and continue negotiations with a view of obtaining full payment of the claim, and in case of failure or refusal * * * that he report such refusal to the next annual communication of this grand lodge.

The committee grounded its recommendation on a statement not found in the statement of the case by the grand master, nor elsewhere in the published proceedings, which is material to the case, that is; that the aid supplied the sojourner was at the instance and request of the Washington lodge. If the Washington lodge explicitly requested the expenditure, its refusal to reimburse the lodge supplying such aid is in bad taste, no matter what might have been the masonic status of the indigent

sojourner, but in the absence of some such circumstance, the rule as announced some years ago by the late Brother Drummond, "Masonic relief is never purchased or sold, and therefore never creates a debt," is practically universally agreed to as the law of such cases.

Concerning the flag, the grand master said—

I recommend that this grand lodge make it a regulation that the American flag shall be displayed as the background of the master and wardens' stations in all masonic lodges within our jurisdiction.

This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Returns, on whose report and recommendation the grand lodge ordered that the flag be displayed in all masonic lodges of the grand jurisdiction.

Under the topic, "Grand Masters' Convention," it is stated in the address—

No call for a conference of grand masters of the various grand jurisdictions was made during my term of office. Of this failure I am truly sorry, for I believe that Masonry as now controlled by independent jurisdiction has reached the point of advancement that the whole superstructure should be changed from grand independent jurisdiction as now, to grand constituent jurisdiction, whereby all constituent grand lodges could send properly accredited delegates with power to form some sort of a supreme grand lodge, or a court of appeal, etc. * * *

This recommendation bore no fruit, as even the Committee on Distribution of Grand Master's Address paid no attention to it. This lack of attention may indicate that the grand lodge was not in harmony with the grand master's suggestion, but a vote against abdicating its sovereignty, as a grand lodge would have put the matter beyond doubt.

In his address the grand master recommended that preparation be made for a semi-centennial celebration of its existence as a grand lodge at its next annual, and the grand lodge ordered the appointment of a committee for this purpose.

In his conclusion, the grand master happily said—

Brethren: let us seriously for a brief moment contemplate the rich, the grand and noble heritage to which we Masons of this day have fallen heir, and to give more than a passing thought as to how we can best preserve this heritage. Freedom and toleration together with all the noble tenents of Freemasonry should be the watchword. Now that Masonry counts its votaries by the millions, now that it is numerically strong, it must not permit itself to become intolerant, and itself become tyrannical by denying to others such rights as we claim for ourselves. * * *

The grand secretary's report shows the collection from all sources during the year of $19,605.51 of which the sum of $8,129.00 was for dues. The returns from lodges show a net gain in membership during the year of 222.

On the afternoon of the first day of the session the grand orator, Brother Arch Cunningham delivered an entertaining discourse, which by order of the grand lodge is printed in the proceedings. It contains some homely, but always timely advice—

The protest of the Regional Grand Lodge of the Philippine No. 2 was mentioned by the grand master, but met with the usual holding that it furnished no cause for the disturbance of existing relations. The grand master said—

Prince Edwin while officiating as grand master of Masons of all England, called the craft together at York in the year 926 and revived, then revised, afterwards received the old constitutions, landmarks and general regulations of Freemasonry. Therefore, the regularity of any lodge, constituent or grand, is wholly dependent upon its ability to trace its lineage to that lodge presided over by Prince Edwin at York in 926. * * * The Gran Logia Regional de Filipinas traces its lineage no further than the Grand Orient of Spain, so for these reasons it seems to me that the Gran Logis Regional de Filipinas is irregular and clandestine.

Most of us are well satisfied with a pedigree extending backward to 1717. But, whatever may be said of the distinguished brother's criterion of regularity, his opinion of this protest is all right.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Brother Geo. E. Knepper, whom we all remember as a distinguished visitor at the annual session of our grand lodge in 1916. It consists of 120 pages of well digested notes. Three pages of his report are devoted to Illinois for 1915. Of the grand master's report he says—

The grand master's address throughout was a business document, full of wise suggestions and recommendations.

He makes reference to the grand secretary's report, and appears to be much impressed by the magnitude of the figures.

He quotes from Brother Owen Scott's report on correspondence to some extent, in particular what is therein said concerning the action of the Grand Lodge of England prohibiting the attendance at any masonic meeting of brethren of Austrian, German, Hungarian or Turkish birth.

The next annual meeting will be held at Boise, September 11, 1917.

Brother John D. Bloomfield, Grand Master, Nampa; Brother Geo. E. Knepper, Grand Secretary, Boise.

## INDIANA—1917

564 LODGES 95th Annual 77,847 MEMBERS

Embellished by full page portraits of the grand master, Brother Elba L. Branigan, and the grand secretary, Brother Calvin W. Prather, the printed proceedings of this grand lodge present a most attractive appearance. To further adorn the volume a fine picture of the American flag is displayed upon the fly leaf, under which appear the words,

THE FLAG OF OUR COUNTRY
Should be displayed in every lodge room.

The annual meeting was held in Indianapolis, May 22, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over by Brother Harry B Tuthill, grand master, assisted by the other grand lodge officers. There were present also at the opening fourteen past grand masters and the representatives of sixteen foreign grand bodies, Illinois not of this number.

Just prior to opening, the following interesting programme was rendered—

*America*, by the Indianapolis Quartette. The Lord's Prayer, repeated in unison. *The Battle Cry of the Republic*, by the Quartette. Address by Brother Frank L. Loveland, D. D., and *Music* by the Indianapolis Quartette.

The address mentioned is printed in full in the proceedings, and constitutes an inspiring challenge to the craft for the maintenance of our standards in the present war crisis.

The grand master's address fills thirty-four pages, and contains an account of his official activities, and gives expression to his views on many matters deemed important. The first subject treated is the war, and his expressions are most patriotic and optimistic. He says—

We are not on the verge of war; we are in war; waged the most cruelly and relentlessly since "Attilla, the Scourge of God," roamed the plains of sunny Italy, with his hordes of Huns and Vandals fifteen hundred years ago. We stand at a parting of the ways. To the East we behold the scintillating darts of the rising sun of a new righteousness, and consequently a new civilization. We shall not stand still. We shall not go backward. We shall go forward. * * * Masonry places God first, our country second, our brother third. When we fight this war we fight for God; fighting for God we fight for our country; fighting for our country we fight for civilization; fighting for civilization we fight for our wives, our children, our brethren.

Concerning "The Flag" our brother said—

The American flag has been for years a mandatory article of furniture in all regular and well governed lodges within this grand jurisdiction.

Next to the three great lights, the American flag has been placed, not by order of the grand lodge alone, but by reason of our universal love for our country, in the most honored place therein. * * * May I not ask at this session the proper committee to be authorized and directed to prepare a salutatory service; that the national anthem be included as a part thereof; with power vested in the in-coming most worshipful grand master to promulgate the service as an executive order throughout the length and breadth of Indiana.

Under the topic, "*The Raisings,*" the grand master said—

We are taught by Masonry to so live that when the time shall come and we depart it shall be in peace—depart with the assurance that "It is well."

Whereupon, he announced the passing, during the year, of two past grand masters, Brethren George E. Grimes and Alfred W. Emery, and past grand inspector, Brother Edward H. Wolfe. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, mention is made of Brother Albert B. Ashley, past grand master of Illinois.

Under the head of "Decisions and Opinions," the grand master reported having ruled that a lodge and a commandery of Knights Templar might participate at a funeral, provided that the lodge service was last and should commence before the body was lowered into the grave. He also ruled that the "*Grotto*" is not a masonic institution. Of course this last ruling is a correct finding as to the fact, but is it not just as true that nothing else is a masonic institution except Masonry? The objection to decisions couched in language similar to this is that the unsophisticated may construe it as an intimation that some other bodies outside the Masonry of the landmarks may properly lay claim to being "Masonic Institutions."

Something above a page of the brother's address is utilized in the discussion of the "black-ball," and he gives expression to some views thereon which the brethren of the lodges of Indiana, and elsewhere, may do well to consider. He concludes his very sensible preachment by saying—

The only solution of the matter is for us all to constantly impress upon our brethren the truth that an entire absence of hatred and revenge on the one hand and an entire absence of looseness in the admission of unworthy applicants on the other hand is the only solution of the problem.

In this language our distinguished brother apparently "comes out at the same hole he went into," but, we all know his meaning, and his head is level.

The brother rightly (perhaps), says that—

Chain Prayers should be consigned to the waste basket. Superstition is not a characteristic of Freemasonry.

Under the topic, "Office of Grand Inspector," the grand master said—

In my visitations to the lodges of Indiana I early became imbued with the judgment that the work in instances is far from being regular and ritualistic. In instances innovations have crept in; lectures are not given in full, sometimes for one and often for another reason; what is ordinarily called the floor work is not done in the manner it should be; the necessary number of brethren do not take part and one brother is often called upon to assume antagonistic positions and duties.

It is strongly suspected that Indiana is not singular in this respect. Most of us at times have witnessed the like elsewhere.

The grand master reported the constituting of four new lodges, two in person and two by proxy, and the granting of four dispensations to form new lodges.

Twenty-two special dispensations enabling lodges to elect officers at times other than as prescribed by the by-laws were issued. Twenty-five corner stones were laid, four in person and twenty-one by proxy.

The grand master reported the dedication of the Masonic Home Building at Franklin, addresses being delivered on this occasion by himself, and Brother Charles P. Benedict, past grand master. Two masonic temples were dedicated by the grand master, one at Plainfield and one at Elkhart. The grand master said—

The study side of Masonry by members of the craft inaugurated by the grand lodge (as in last report mentioned), has been signally successful. Great interest is felt by all the brethren in this work.

To the same general purport is the report of the Committee on Masonic Study appointed last year, in which it is said, in part—

Your committee is now of the opinion that the matter of encouraging the various lodges along the lines of masonic study has passed the experimental stage, and we make bold to suggest to this grand lodge the following advance step—

Whereupon the committee reproduced the outline of study recommended by the Iowa Research Society, as published in the Builder, and said—

Your committee is not acting as the publicity agents for the publishers of the above noted magazine, but we are desirous of availing ourselves of every opportunity to enlarge the scope of our work, and we feel sure that the plan suggested by the society offers Indiana Masons an opportunity for a thorough, careful and systematic study of masonic principles and masonic history. * * *

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of $26,403.05 on account of the General Fund, of which $17,907.75 was dues from lodges, and the balance from divers other sources, and of $70,775.61 on account of the Home Fund, of which $47,622.75 was derived from per

capita tax, and the balance from other sources. The same report shows a net gain in membership during the year of 4,127. The report of the superintendent of the home shows the number of residents at the home at date of report to be 70, namely 36 men, 17 women, 10 boys and 7 girls.

Brother Martin A. Morrison, who had as the representative of the grand master attended the annual meeting of the Washington Memorial Association, and who was made chairman of a committee on the Washington Memorial, reported to the grand lodge, favoring the appropriation to this association of the sum of $5,000.00. This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, which trimmed the appropriation to $1,000.00, in which condition it was passed, and the appropriation ordered.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, it was ordered that four new lodges be granted charters.

It appears from the record that Brother George A. Schoonover, past deputy grand master, of Iowa, who was in attendance as a distinguished visitor, was by the grand master introduced to the grand lodge "in a few very pleasing words." * * *

Brother Elba L. Branigin was elected grand master, and Brother Calvin W. Prather was re-elected grand secretary.

Following the election the annual dinner was held at the banquet hall, masonic temple. The grand master presided as toast-master, and addresses were delivered by Brethren Martin A. Morrison, past grand master, George A. Schoonover, past deputy grand master, (Iowa), and Lee Dinwiddie, of Fowler. It was ordered that the addresses of Brothers Dinwiddie and Morrison be printed in the proceedings, which was done, and to say the very least of these speeches they are both worthy of preservation.

At eight o'clock A. M., May 23rd, a train was chartered, and the grand lodge *en masse* made a visit to the home at Franklin, returning at 12 o'clock M.

From the record it appears that—

This opportunity to see the home in full operation, with over seventy members of the home as they live, and all the buildings completed and in full operation, created a great deal of enthusiasm among the brethren, all of whom seemed to be delighted and pleased with the completion of the home and the happiness of the members thereof, etc. * * *

A committee was appointed, and arrangements are under way for the celebration on an elaborate scale of the centennial year of the grand lodge in 1918.

Brother Lincoln V. Cravens, past grand master, referred to the fact, at the hour of installation of grand lodge officers, that the grand secretary, Brother Calvin W. Prather had been quietly celebrating that day as the fiftieth anniversary of his connection with Masonry, and made a motion that the good wishes and good will of the members of the grand lodge be tendered to the beloved brother, with the hope that he would be able to give them many more years of service. The motion was declared carried unanimously, and the grand master called up the grand lodge and gave Brother Prather the "Grand Honors," the first time according to the record the like was ever done in Indiana. It further appears that—

Brother Prather responded feelingly and eloquently to the demonstration of effection, loyalty and confidence which were evidenced by the ovation tendered him.

At the same hour Brother Tuthill, retiring grand master, was presented with a beautiful past grand master's jewel.

The "Annual Review," as heretofore, is by Brother Elmer F. Gay, past grand master, and is well up to his usual standard of excellence. He fills three pages with a review of the Proceedings of Illinois (1916). He makes reference to the visit of our children at La Grange to the grand lodge, and quotes Brother Hilliker's speech to the grand lodge in full. He notes the amendment to our by-laws providing for change of membership from one lodge to another, in Illinois, by certificate, and the amendment prohibiting smoking during work. He noted, also the termination of our lawsuit with the La Grange School Board, and the tenor of the decision. He makes mention of the work of this scribe, and is pleased to commend the same, for which thanks are due, and as further evidence of our appreciation this writer will probably steal his statistical table, as was done last year.

Brother Elba L. Branigin, Grand Master, Franklin; Brother Calvin W. Prather, Grand Secretary, Indianapolis.

The next Annual will be held at Indianapolis, May 28, 1918.

## IOWA—1917

529 Lodges 74th Annual 56,592 Members

The neatly printed and methodically arranged volume of proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Iowa is rather profusely adorned, having as the frontispiece a fine portrait of Brother Thomas Arthur, retiring grand master, and elsewhere pictures of Brethren John W. Barry, grand master; Curtis B. Clovis, deputy grand master; Milo J. Gabriel, senior grand warden; Thomas John Reeves, junior grand warden, and LaFayette W. Lovell, grand treasurer. There are also, in the way of ornament of the volume, cuts, showing the interior of four different lodge halls. The annual communication was held at Waterloo, commencing June 12, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers. Giving tone to the assemblage fourteen past grand masters, and many other past grand lodge officers were in attendance. The diplomatic circle was not in evidence, Iowa being one of the few grand lodges which does not exchange representatives with other grand lodges.

An interesting and highly inspiring programme was rendered preceding the opening, consisting of the presentation of flags, British, French and American, accompanied by high class oratory; the presentation of the oldest Iowa made Mason, Brother Nathan Schofield, initiated in 1854; and the youngest (known) Iowa made Master Mason, in the person of Brother W. R. Law, mayor of Waterloo, who had received the degree of Master Mason the previous evening, and who delivered an address of welcome. This address was responded to, after which the grand lodge was regaled by some high class music, etc.

The grand master's address fills twenty-two pages and is a well prepared account of his official doings. He reported having addressed a letter to the President of the United States, conveying to him the assurance of the loyal support of the 54,000 Iowa Masons, at this time of national crisis, and the substance of the reply of the President, thanking him for this assurance, which helps to keep him in heart.

Under the topic, "Necrology," the death of one past senior grand warden, Brother J. E. Howe, was reported, but none within the ranks of the family of the grand lodge officers had been called to make the great change.

He reported the constituting of four lodges, all by proxy, and the laying of fifteen corner stones, all by proxy. Concerning the matter of corner stones it was in the address suggested that—

There ought to be a pronouncement of this grand lodge—requirements—as to the size of the stone to be laid, approximately, perhaps the kind of

stone, and the inscription to be placed on the stone. * * * I make this suggestion because we encounter all kinds and sizes of stones, etc. * * *

He reported the issuing of one dispensation to form a new lodge, and concerning special dispensations, said—

About the usual number of requests were received for dispensations to hold elections or install officers, when such matters—something preventing—had not been done at the proper time provided by law. Of course dispensations were granted for these purposes. But brethren these matters should be attended to at the time appointed by the statute. * * * I fear that some of these so-called emergent cases happen because of apathy and neglect, etc. * * *

Under the topic, ''Charity,'' the grand master said—

Maybe it would sound better said by some disinterested person outside of this jurisdiction, but I cannot refrain from praising our system of dispensing charity—it is the best I know of. A poor system well administered would likely be a fair success, and a perfect system poorly administered would be a failure. * * * Masonry is not militant in many ways, but the trustees of the Grand Charity Fund are nobly active in the practice of the greatest *of* the trinity of virtues. Faith and Hope are passive, but Charity must be active, to be efficient.

Concerning ''Schools of Instruction'' the grand master reported—

Our system of instruction in the ritualistic work supervised by the Board of Custodians, and carried on by the custodians and district lecturers increases in usefulness and popularity every year. Greater perfection in the work is being produced. * * * Conferring the degrees in an accurate and attractive fashion gives the new Mason a better understanding and impression of the art, and is wholesome for the older Mason, and that is what our system of instruction seeks to accomplish. * * * The five schools of instruction held during the year were all entire successes. * * * The Committee on Masonic Research attended these special schools and furnished good lectures and fine addresses which added greatly to the interest, value and entertainment of the events. * * *

Concerning ''Rulings,'' the grand master said—

A great many rulings and decisions upon a variety of questions have been handed down from this office during the year. * * * No purpose would be served by setting forth or even mentioning many of them here. For the most part these rulings apply to strictly local matters, and would not enlighten the craft generally. * * * I do not recall having placed any new construction, or different interpretation upon any statute from that of my predecessors. * * *

It appears that the Grand Lodge of Iowa was organized January 8, 1844, and the grand master declared himself in favor of holding a ''Diamond Jubilee'' next year, and of inviting—

Our neighbors to enjoy it with us. * * * This seventy-fifth anniversary celebration is not an original thought with me, but I am for it.

On report and recommendation of the special committee to which this was referred, the grand lodge concurred in the suggestion of the grand mas-

ter and preparations are being made accordingly. At some length the grand master discussed the matter of "Clubs," and the substance of his conclusion is that—

A masonic lodge is not supposed to be engaged in any business except such business as is necessary for its own existence and maintenance. But I have also said that I knew of no legal reason why a lodge could not expend its funds—not otherwise appropriated or required—for the purpose of maintaining social privileges for its members. * * *

The grand master says—

This address would be incomplete without taking into account the splendid work of the National Masonic Research Society, etc. * * * During the past few months its journal, * * * has brought out a complete course of study of Masonry, in a comprehensive manner never before attempted to my knowledge. * * * I would recommend that some practical method be adopted to bring to Iowa lodges the benefit of the course of study. * * *

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Finance it was ordered that the grand lodge invest $10,000.00 in "Liberty bonds," for the purchase of which $5,000.00 of the General Fund, and $5,000.00 of the Charity Fund were appropriated.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the aggregate sum of $64,924.90, of which $64,159.75 was cash received from lodges. From the table of returns from lodges a net gain in membership during the year is shown in the sum of 2,623.

The record shows that on the morning of the second day of the session—

The grand secretary presented Brother Isaac Cutter, right worshipful grand secretary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. Brother Cutter paid a fine tribute to the Grand Lodge of Iowa, referring to the work she is doing along educational lines. He also made some very eloquent patriotic remarks.

Brother John W. Barry was elected grand master, and Brother Newton Ray Parvin was re-elected grand secretary.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Lodges under Dispensation it was ordered that charters issue to three new lodges.

From the proceedings the following interesting item is excerpted; On the morning of the third day of the session—

Brother Frank S. Moses, past grand master, presented Brother Ralph H. Wheeler, most worshipful grand master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, who brought greetings from the brethren of the Illinois jurisdiction, and in a few interesting remarks paid a high tribute to the work of masonic education now being developed in Iowa. Brother Wheeler also made a few, but pertinent remarks concerning greater economy in our lodge affairs, and spoke with interest concerning the great world war.

Following the installation, the newly installed grand master was by his immediate predecessor, Brother Arthur, presented with the signet ring, and who took occasion to say that—

While he had not much use for jewelry he had taken great pleasure in wearing this ring during his term of office and trusted that Brother Barry would enjoy wearing the same during the coming year as much as he had in the past.

A fine past grand master's jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence is again by Brother Louis Block, past grand master, and consists of two hundred fifty pages of spicy matter, most of which will bear reading. His "Foreword," (9 pages,) is devoted to the consideration of the single topic, *war,* and matters incident thereto, and constitutes an inspiring appeal for patriotic action.

Five pages of his report are devoted to Illinois, for 1916, and he manages to find many matters to challenge attention. He reproduces from the grand master's report what is therein stated concerning the advisory council; also, what is in the report said concerning schools of instruction, (in part), and says—

Grand Master Wheeler is enthusiastic for the study side of Masonry, etc. * * *

Continuing the brother is pleased to say—

We would suggest to our good brethren of Illinois that if they are really interested in the research movement, the only satisfactory way to get efficiently established is by the creation of a permanent grand lodge committee to have that particular work in charge of its peculiar function, etc. * * *

He re-produces what is in the report stated concerning trials by com mission and says—

We have often heard of government by commission, but this is the first time we ever heard of the trial of offenses by that means.

Nevertheless the Illinois code provides for it, and as a rule it works well here.

Concerning the matter of Eldorado Lodge No. 730 vs.....by Grand Master Wheeler reported under the head of "Discipline," after citing the action reported, our distinguished brother is pleased to say—

For the life of us we cannot conceive what possible right he had to do this. What would we think of a judge of one of our courts who dared to sentence an accused after a jury had declared him not guilty?

Without responding directly to the brother's interrogatory as to a suppositious case by him imagined, but rather as an explanation of the case by the grand master reported, it is suggested—

1. That, the Illinois code confers upon the grand master "The power to exercise the executive functions of the grand lodge when not in session. 2. That before taking the action reported, he took counsel with the chairman of the committee on appeals and grievances. 3. That his order continued in

force until the next meeting of the grand lodge, at which time the matter was considered by the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, where all parties in interest had full and free opportunity to be heard. 4. That after such consideration, on report and recommendation of the committee, the grand lodge sustained the grand master in every respect.

Our brother might have noticed that the nature of the case was—

A member of a lodge had made false representations over his signature to a petition for the degrees in Masonry, and on charges being preferred, plead guilty thereto, but for some reason, not explained, the lodge administered no punishment.

The brother re-produces what is in the report said concerning "Political Discussion," and commenting thereon says—

It is sometimes pretty hard for one to decide just what those subjects are which may be legitimately discussed within the body of a masonic lodge, etc. * * *

As a general proposition the learned brother's observation is most true, but coming to the matter reported by the grand master, our grand lodge by legislative action has decided a few matters which may *not* be discussed.

Our code, (No. 315) as cited by the grand master, provides that—

The discussion of political, sectarian, or other subjects not of a strictly masonic character is prohibited in all lodges in this jurisdiction.

The brother is pleased to style the oration of Brother Oscar Kropf as "Excellent," and makes quotations therefrom, including the poetry used in the deliverance.

He notes the decision of the supreme court of Illinois, in the matter of Herbert Ashley, et al, vs. the School Board of La Grange. Of the review he says—

A new face appears at the round table of our correspondence circle in the person of Brother *James* H. Martin, etc. * * *

Whereupon, he proceeds to quote from the preface to the review, and says—

If Brother Martin was not a new hand at the task we are sure he would not do some of the things he has done.

He pays the further compliment of quoting from the review a very innocent, guileless sort of a comment on the address of the grand master of Iowa concerning "Research," and a certain masonic periodical, and says—

Such remarks as these are unkind and cruel and ought never to come from the pen of a good brother Mason without the extremest provocation, and in all probability not even then. If Brother Martin knows the truth, then his utterances above quoted are mean and contemptible. On the other hand if he does not know the facts he ought to be careful enough to inform himself.

Concerning an innocuous observation in the review, to the effect that the reports of two different committees of the Grand Lodge of Iowa ap-

peared to supplement and overlap each other, after quoting, our brother relieves his mind by saying—

It is by means of such utterances as this that Brother Martin simply shows to the masonic world that he does not know what he is talking about, and slurs such as this can only be pardoned, if at all, on the grounds of ignorance, etc. * * *

All of which is taken and accepted as the opinion (gratuitous) of the distinguished craftsman, and to which there will be no reply *in kind.* Never has there gone from this type-writer one line, written with the conscious intention of reflecting any discourtesy to any person. The writer has neither taste nor aptitude for the like, and even if he had attained to the great degree of proficiency in the use of personal invective evinced by Brother Block himself, it is certain that its employment would be altogether unprofitable to those for whom he is writing.

However, concerning the indorsement in advance, by grand lodges, of proposed schemes of masonic research, and padding the proceedings with fulsome panegyrics upon the promoters of such schemes, (while yet living) which is the real *causus billi,* even at the hazard of being further mis-understood, it may not be improper to observe, that much prolonged and vociferous cackling in the region of the barn-yard affords no infallible criterion whereby to conjecture, as to the number of eggs to be gathered. After the output from this research hen has been inventoried, we sincerely hope it may be in order for lodges and grand lodges to take notice, (perhaps officially,) but some of us entertain the notion that it is unbecoming to wax too hilarious in the way of official sanction, while as yet there is nothing to indorse but the cackle.

The last utterance by the Grand Lodge of Illinois concerning this matter is in the language of a special committee, in a report approved by the grand lodge, and may be found on page 133, proceedings for 1915, and is in relation to a resolution before it submitted providing that this identical Iowa scheme be indorsed. In this report it is said, in part—

Your committee, however, deems it unwise to commit this grand lodge to any specific plan for research, or to recognize any particular society striving towards that end. Your committee believes that every lodge should interest itself in masonic literature, and strive to become better informed concerning the essentials of the fraternity. This, however, should be a voluntary matter on the part of the lodge. Membership in the society in question * * * is in the opinion of your committee a matter for each individual Mason to decide for himself.

This is quoted because it is categorically right, as an expression of grand lodge action, and the writer takes pride in supplying the evidence that he is not singular in the notions which he entertains. We all have some appreciation of the value of what has lately come to be called the "study side" of Masonry,—its academic, or intellectual aspects, but only as a mere

by-product, and in no-wise a chief element contributing to its value to the world. The academician can have a good time indulging himself in research, but until his learning is translated into performance beneficial to the rest of us, and to mankind he need not expect the rest of the masonic world to go into ecstacies over the (intellectual) worlds he has set himself to discover.

A visitor to the Grand Lodge of Iowa is "taken up into an exceeding high mountain," and is shown the Iowa library, and the *habitat* and environment of the Research Society, and all the glory thereof, and is challenged to fall down and worship,—all of which is very well for those who are impressed with those things,—we might all go further and find worse. But those aspects, attributes or characteristics of Masonry which have contributed chiefly to save it from the junk pile, which render it unique among human institutions, and place it forever in a class by itself, may be comprehended in the one word, ALTRUISM. Not simply as a sublime speculative tenet, but altruism translated into conduct and performance. That phase or aspect of Masonry which finds expression in libraries and antiquarian research is the merest circumstance, as related to altruism, which is of the essence of the institution, and which finds expression in regard for *the other fellow,* especially, (perhaps) the helpless and dependent. If all those who have been shown the Iowa library, and the research plant will visit Illinois, and investigate our work at La Grange and Sullivan, all who have red blood in their circulatory systems can have an object lesson suggesting those aspects of Masonry which have contributed to render it immortal. Let it not be supposed that we in Illinois consider ourselves peculiar in the matter of inculcating, by the work we are doing the notion of helpfulness. We are not, for the same things are being done by many other grand lodges, and by some of them just as efficiently. Neither should it be supposed that we consider that care for the unfortunate and dependent is the only adequate expression of altruism. It finds expression in thinking and speaking of, and acting towards the banker, the "Captain of Industry," and the man of great prominence and power, kindly and justly, as well as towards the helpless and dependent. The millionaire may have as adequate notions concerning the Golden Rule as the hod-carrier, and may be just as appreciative when its tenets find expression. The Masonry of the heart finds expression in our conduct toward all alike.

The twentieth century chemist multiplies his efficiency *by working at chemistry* in the light of the highest modern authority, rather than by researching back to the times when charlatans and imposters were employing what little knowledge of the science was then possessed in the effort to transmute the baser metals into gold.

The modern astronomer multiplies his efficiency by *working at astronomy* in the light of approved modern authority, not by harking back to the

ages when astrology, as it was then called, was associated with occultism and obscured by mysticism.

The statesman increases his power and influence by *working at statecraft,* in the light of modern development, not by harking back to the times when "Might made right" and despots ruled by divine sanction.

The surgeon of this day wonderfully develops and multiplies his efficiency by *working at surgery* by the light of the highest approved modern authority, not by harking back to the methods of the "medicine man" of primitive races.

Like these and all other arts and sciences, Masonry has emerged from behind a veil of mysticism and while it may be interesting for the speculative Mason to exercise his intellectual activities in the effort to remove the veil, and discover to us the mysterious beginnings of the institution, it is conceived that the way to multiply his efficiency and consequence as a Mason is to *work at Masonry* in the light of the learning accessible to all since its authentic and undisputed history began. In Masonry, as elsewhere throughout the domain of human activities, the aphorism, "*We learn to do by doing,*" holds good.

Since the "Revival," (1717) the history and the content of Masonry is fairly well known to the world. We received it in the form it then assumed, and voluntarily obligated ourselves *to work at it,* and to propagate it as it is, and all matters concerning its origin, or its activities prior to the time when it crystallized into its present content, are of secondary consequence, and certainly cannot, by a hair's breadth modify our obligations.

At such times as these research "Captain Kanes," "Sir John Franklins," and "Lieutenant Pearys," report to us the discovery of something calculated to magnify brother love, relief and truth, and which can be translated into service, lodges and grand lodges should, and doubtless will give appropriate indorsement and approval.

By way of apology for this (perhaps) partly irrelevant preachment, it is suggested that it had to come, for the purpose of showing in part, what was in the mind of the writer when the language, which our esteemed brother considers so objectionable, was written.

The brother was pleased to re-produce what is in the review of Iowa suggested anent "physical qualifications," and commenting thereon says—

Here is a Mason who seems to hug the symbol as something sacred, but at the same time seems to despise any consideration of the soul which lies back of the symbol. He should remember that physical perfection is a matter very largely of happy and fortunate accident; while mental and spiritual qualification as a rule, are acquired by the patient, persistent self-denying and self-sacrificing efforts of the individual himself.

What the writer does remember is that in "The Charges of a Freemason" and in the landmarks of Masonry, the organic law of that Masonry which we received, the physical qualifications of candidates are defined, and that grand lodges by legislative enactment should, (and generally do) put some sort of construction upon the provisions of the organic law.

Some grand lodges, (like Pennsylvania,) insist on a literal construction of the language of the ancient charges in this regard, while lately a modern school of writers have adopted from the so-called higher bodies the disposition to disregard altogether this landmark, having become too wise to feel bound by a landmark which does not commend itself to their fancies. As between these two extremes, this writer thought, (and thinks) that the odds are with the strict constructionists. As to what the writer "hugs" in the premises; that is a matter of very little consequence, but it is suggested that the Grand Lodge of Illinois has placed a construction on the organic law in this regard, which commends itself to the reason of all who wish to obey and preserve the same, and in our humble opinion it is exactly right, being the golden mean, between the positions of those favoring a literal construction, and those *great men who have lost regard for the landmarks.* Our law as to physical qualifications is:

* * * Possessing no maim or defect in his body that may render him incapable of conforming *literally* to what the several degrees require of him. * * *

Of course, this provision applies to the *making* only.

The next Annual will be held at Ottumwa June 11, 1918.

Brother John W. Barry, Grand Master, Cedar Rapids. Brother Newton R. Parvin, Grand Secretary, Cedar Rapids.

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## IRELAND—1916

The report of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Ireland is contained in a pamphlet of sixty-six pages, on the frontispiece of which appears a photographic view of the interior of the grand lodge room, Freemasons' Hall, Dublin. The annual meeting was held in the room thus shown, on December 27, 1916, and was presided over by Brother Sir Charles A. Cameron, C. B., M. D., deputy grand master, who announced that—

Owing to Red Cross work in France our grand master, The Earl of Donoughmore, is unable to be with us today: He has, however, sent two letters which I will ask the deputy grand secretary to read to you.

In the first of these letters mentioned the grand master reported his unsuccessful efforts to defeat the passage of a bill by the British Parliament forbidding Irish policemen and constables to belong to any "Secret Society," and specially designating Masonry as a secret society. The measure was passed, and became a law, notwithstanding the opposition of the grand master. The second letter of the grand master, related that his duties in France prevented his attendance on the meeting of the grand lodge, and concluded as follows—

Please convey my warmest salutations to the brethren, and my best wishes for the New Year. Let us all earnestly pray and hope that a glorious peace will find us celebrating our festival with its old rejoicing on St. John's day, 1917.

Following the reading of these letters, the deputy grand master resumed his address. The first topic mentioned is, of course, the war, on which he said, in part—

As Freemasons I think we ought to be proud of the part our order, as a whole, has taken in reference to this war (hear, hear). Our beloved grand master, and a majority of the provincial grand masters are each of them doing their "bit" in connection with the war, and there is probably hardly a lodge of Freemasons in Ireland that has not sent representatives into the great citizen army of which we are all so proud (applause). In my own lodge alone 62 of its members have taken part in this terrible conflict (applause). It is very gratifying to find in this report of the deputy grand secretary that notwithstanding the depletion of our ranks by so large a number of Freemasons having entered into the army, our numbers still are well maintained, and revenue of the grand lodge during the present year has greatly exceeded the expenditures, etc. * * *

Concerning the act of Parliament in the grand master's letter referred to, it is stated in the address—

I am sure, brethren, that you were all indignant, and justly indignant, at the passage of the clause in reference to Freemasons in the Bill introduced by Mr. Duke in the House of Commons respecting an increase in the stipends of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police. That clause, I believe myself, was intended, designedly as the thin end of the wedge for the purpose of undermining and preventing the development of Freemasonry in Ireland. * * * To say that the Freemasons' Order is a secret society is a simple absurdity. Our places of meeting throughout all parts of Ireland are well known to everybody, etc. * * * I think the proper category to which we may assign our society is that of benevolent and meritorious societies, etc. * * * It is ridiculous to regard the Masonic Order as a secret society. * * * I am almost certain that some other thrust at Freemasonry will be made in the future, and we must be prepared to meet it. * * *

The act complained of surely must be indefensible, and at this distance it is difficult to conjecture a reason for its enactment, unless the deputy grand master is right in his conjectures, and there is with the law-making power in Great Britain a disposition to keep Irish Freemasonry on short pasture. However, they may not be much harmed by the

law. Many Irish policemen in this country do not become Freemasons, being prevented not because of civil, or masonic law, but because of ecclesiastical law to which they voluntarily subscribe. This is their own matter, and in the meantime Masonry is getting along pretty well, and so it will, very likely in Ireland, notwithstanding this law. The only other topic mentioned in the address is the matter of finances.

Under this head it is said—

I am sure you have all read with satisfaction the report of Brother Holdbrook with reference to the masonic benevolent institutions. On the whole the report appears to me to be very satisfactory (hear, hear). * * * Comparing the total subscriptions to the three benevolent institutions received last year with those received this year we find a net gain of L. 606. It might be expected indeed that subscriptions which had fallen off in the first year of the war would fall off to a greater extent the second year of the war, many of our brethren having fallen on the field of battle. On the contrary, there has been a great increase in the subscriptions, etc. * * *

In his report the deputy grand secretary notes the passing of Brother W. J. Chetwode Crawley, late grand treasurer, and says—

His death was an irreparable loss to the order for he, almost alone amongst his Irish brethren, devoted much of his leisure time in tracing the historical incidents of Irish Masonry back to the early days of its foundation. * * * During his long masonic career he made with much care and discrimination an extensive and valuable collection of masonic books, manuscripts and old prints, which the grand lodge has fortunately secured for a sum of £. 300. * * * No more suitable memorial could be obtained of our distinguished brother, etc.* * *

In the same report is the account of the suspension for six months (as appears by the Board of General Purposes), of a member of a Dublin lodge, for "A breach of masonic confidence." From the report it appears that—

He was the proposer of a candidate whose name after having passed the lodge, was duly submitted to the Metropolitan Committee of Inspection for approval. At such meetings it is customary to discuss the merits of candidates with absolute freedom, relying on the honour and prudence of those present to preserve the utmost discretion respecting the discussion. In the case in question it was found that the candidate himself was fully informed not only of the statements made respecting him, but the name of the individual who made them, etc. * * *

From the same report it appears that no change has been made in the *personnel* of the grand lodge officers, save such changes as were made necessary by death and resignations, and these appear to have been made by the Board of General Purposes.

An address, in commemoration of the life and character of the late Brother W. J. Chetwode Crawley, by Brother Henry F. Berry, is printed in the proceedings. The address covers eight pages, in the opening of which he

says, "A Prince and a great man has fallen in our masonic Israel," and taking his address at any thing like its face value, he makes this appear to be true, and from what is elsewhere said of the departed brother, no doubt it is true.

There is no published review of the proceedings of the other grand lodges.

There is nothing in the published proceedings showing number of lodges, or the number of members.

The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Donoughmore, Grand Master; Right Hon. Lord Plunket, Grand Secretary.

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## KANSAS—1917

416 Lodges 61st Annual 45,684 Members

The fly-leaf of the proceedings of this grand lodge is adorned by a fine likeness of the retiring grand master, Brother Giles H. Lamb, and elsewhere appears a group picture of nine of the appointive officers of the grand lodge, conspicuous in which is the grand chaplain, with whiskers of the exact fashion of the late Senator Pfeffer of that state.

The annual meeting was held at Wichita, commencing February 21, 1917, and the grand lodge was presided over by the grand master, all the other grand lodge officers being in their places. Eleven past grand masters were in attendance, likewise the representatives of thirty-nine foreign grand bodies, Brother Matthew M. Miller answering for Illinois.

The grand master delivered the annual address, which covers twenty pages of the proceedings, and furnishes a rather succinct account of his official acts. With appropriate expressions of sorrow and deprivation, the grand master announced the passing of Brother William M. Shaver, past grand master, and many other brethren of local prominence.

The grand master reported that he had issued five dispensations for the formation of new lodges.

Anent district deputy grand masters, it is said—

The system was started as an experiment, and has proven more efficient every year, etc. * * * The real worth of these brethren to the craft has not yet been full appreciated by the grand lodge. They are permitted to furnish their own "clothes," while the lodges graciously furnish their board. Sixty-three deputies were appointed last year. * * * All of these with but two

or three exceptions performed their work faithfully and well. * * * I earnestly recommend that the deputy system be continued, its scope and powers enlarged, and made a safe, sure and confidential means of communication between the grand master and the lodges.

Under the topic, "District Meetings," the grand master said—

These meetings form the very groundwork of masonic efficiency. Here the Masons gather from surrounding lodges and see the degree work done under the eye of a competent teacher. These lessons are carried back to the home lodge, and an impetus and desire for correct work is started. Much of the worth and benefit of these meetings depends upon the teacher. In grand lodge parlance we call him a LECTURER, etc. * * *

The grand master announced the appointment of two competent brethren as lecturers, and says—

One of these brethren has been present at each district meeting to act as teacher. All three of the degrees are exemplified at each meeting, each lodge taking some part, with a volunteer candidate. * * * District meetings with the school of instruction features have been held in sixty out of the sixty-three districts. I have attended about half of them, and by this means have come in close touch with about 150 lodges, etc. * * *

Under the head of discipline, the grand master reported—

It came to my knowledge during the year that quite a number of lodges were openly using a sort of so-called ritual purporting to give the Kansas work, and in one instance it was reported that the secretary of a lodge was even selling these books. I found to a certainty that the brother was guilty of at least one sale, and on his masonic promise that he would never, *never*, again so offend, I gave him a severe reprimand and allowed the matter to pass. * * * Section 122 of our grand lodge laws provides that the sale, gift, printing, or use of any cipher, ritual or secret work *other than the official cipher* shall be deemed an offense against the body of Masonry and be published by expulsion from the fraternity.

In other words, if a brother violates his solemn engagement as an entered apprentice, in this regard in Kansas it must be done "officially."

Five decisions were reported by the grand master, all of which passed muster with the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge, each being in the nature of a construction of some part of the Kansas law, and none of them of very great consequence.

Number 4, is rather interesting; the grand master held that—

It is a violation of masonic law for a lodge in Kansas to permit a member, or members of a lodge of another grand jurisdiction, to confer any part of its work upon a candidate, when the work of the other grand jurisdiction differs in any way from the prescribed work in Kansas.

If lodges of other grand jurisdictions confer degrees through courtesy for Kansas lodges (and the grand master reported that some of this was done last year), it is not perceived how foreign lodges can be obliged to use the Kansas ritual. Indeed, it is not apparent how they can be sure they are using the Kansas ritual, unless the lodge conferring the degree should be furnished with a copy of the "official cipher" of Kansas. Here in Illinois we would

be subject to trial and discipline if we used their official cipher, or even had it in our possession, so there we are,—and it would appear that if this decision should become the rule among grand lodges, generally, it will have the effect to do away with conferring degrees through courtesy, as it has come to be called.

The grand master reported that, pursuant to the authority given by resolution to the grand lodge at its last stated meeting, the Council of Administration had caused to be erected in Topeka, an office, library and museum building for the use of the grand lodge, and that the building will be ready for occupancy about the first of May. The building will cost about $105,000.00. The grand master further said—

The building is of Carthage limestone and reinforced concrete, fire-proof, up-to-date, modern in every particular. It is a model of architectural beauty, and when completed will be the best building of its kind in the United States.

The grand master reported that the most pleasant part of his official duty as grand master was the visiting of lodges and said—

Counting the district meetings and other public lodge functions that I have attended I think I made something like fifty visitations.

Under the topic "The Masonic Home", the grand master said—

I am now approaching the saddest chapter in the history of Masonry in Kansas. I refer to the burning of the masonic home. That beautiful edifice yonder on the banks of the river is now in ruins. * * *

Whereupon at considerable length of details the grand master related the burning of the home in the early morning of December 22, 1916, and the distress and perplexity occasioned by the destruction of the shelter of their wards, at a time when the thermometer was below zero. The Council of Administration had neither the money, nor the authority to raise the money, to replace the buildings destroyed, and the home has since been operated at a very great inconvenience both to the members of the home and the management. The Council of Administration finally decided to construct temporary buildings at the home, till such time as arrangements could be made for replacing the buildings destroyed. This appears to have been done at an expense of $8,500.00.

The grand master beautifully concluded his address, as follows—

In the years to come I hope to watch the majestic tread of Freemasonry as it marches on in its great mission of shedding light and sunshine in the dark places of life. And if I may be accorded a place in the ranks, and be permitted to keep step to the music as it fills the hearts of men with the song of brotherly love, fellowship and charity; if in the future I shall be loved, honored and trusted as a member of the craft, I shall be satisfied.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the aggregate sum of $90,669.00 of which $22,667.50 was dues; $22,667.50 was on account of home fund, and $45,334.00 was a special assessment.

The same report shows a net gain in membership during the year of 1,622.

In the afternoon the strain and tedium of the labors of the grand lodge were relieved by an oration by Brother William A. Johnston, chief justice of the supreme court of Kansas, and grand orator. His deliverance fills fourteen pages of the proceedings and furnishes good reading. An evening session was held at 7:30 o'clock at which it appears that—

At the request of the grand master the work of the first degree, and the second section of the third degree, and the proper form of balloting were exemplified under direction of Brother Harvey O. Davis, lecturer.

Upon report and recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence the grand lodge declined to recognize and enter into fraternal relations with the so-called Grand Lodges of Panama and France.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Dispensations and Charters it was ordered that four new lodges be granted charters, and that one be continued under dispensation.

Brother Charles E. Lobdell was elected grand master, and Brother Albert K. Wilson was re-elected grand secretary.

Mt. Gilead Lodge 144, and other masonic friends presented the retiring grand master with a past grand master's jewel, and "an engrossed parchment booklet containing the names of the donors, the presentation speech being made by Past Grand Master William E. Hutchinson.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is again by Brother Matthew M. Miller, past grand master, and is fully up to his usual standard of excellence. He reviews the proceedings of sixty-four foreign grand lodges and gives a fair but rather brief account of the doings in the masonic world. The Proceedings of Illinois (1916), are considerately and fraternally treated. He quotes from the opening part of Brother Wheeler's annual report; takes notice of what is therein said concerning the working of the Advisory Board; re-produces, in part, what is therein said concerning the Flag, and says—

The most delightful page in the whole volume is not numbered, neither has inscription nor name thereon to designate it. It is simply an insert between pages 18 and 19 of the journal record, etc. * * *

Continuing he says—

We are glad to note that under a recommendation of the Illinois Board of Grand Examiners, approved by Grand Master Wheeler, a ceremony has been exemplified for presenting and displaying the flag of our country in the East of our lodges, which has been adopted and practiced in nearly all the lodges of Illinois, etc. * * *

Concerning Brother Kropf's oration he says—

Magnificent, sublime,—but the most practical thing in it was his reference to the Orphans' Home children, where he expresses the hope, yes and

prayer, that they may be educated, that they may be trained and fitted for some useful occupation, so that we may send them out into the world to be useful citizens, to be valuable members of society, and that they may indeed shine as jewels in the crown of Masonry. Masonry is at its best when we get down to the concrete.

Our distinguished brother was pleased to refer to the work done by the typewriter in this office, and to say that there appears

A willingness to go that promises for future workouts even more than the high measure of success attained in his first effort.

He was pleased, also, to refer to the views of the writer in the review of California, in. re. the Knights of Columbus matter, and opines, as is to be hoped correctly, that—

Those who took the Jesuit bait in California will never be caught by it a second time.

He was pleased to re-produce the commendation of this writer of the oration of Governor Capper, and says that—

Kansas receives ample and judicious consideration in the review, etc. * * *

Taking into account Brother Miller's great erudition, ability and experience as a writer, it would be something less than human to forbear expressing our appreciation, and the writer is duly thankful for his kindness.

The next annual meeting will be held at Topeka, February 20, 1918.

Brother Charles E. Lobdell, Grand Master, Topeka; Brother Albert K. Wilson, Grand Secretary, Topeka.

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## KENTUCKY—1916

593 Lodges 116th Annual 44,380 Members

The printed proceedings of this grand lodge, as heretofore, is from the publishing establishment at the masonic home, and is perhaps the best exemplification of the "art preservative" that has reached this table. The bulky volume is embellished by full page portraits of Brethren James A. Saunders, grand master; Thomas Jefferson Adams, past grand master, and a fine cut of the masonic home.

The annual meeting was held at Louisville, October 17, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened by the grand master, Brother T. J. Adams, in ample form, all the other grand lodge officers being in their places. Twenty-six

past grand masters illuminated, and gave tone to the assemblage by their presence.

The grand master's address fills sixty-five pages, and furnishes incontrovertible evidence that the grand master of Kentucky has a strenuous job.

Under the head of "Necrology" the grand master was pleased to say—

I am glad to report that none of the grand lodge officers nor any of our past grand masters have died during the year, but the Grim Reaper has walked throughout the length and breadth of the land and with icy fingers has beckoned some of the best and noblest of our craft to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler has ever returned.

Elsewhere suitable mention is made of the passing of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

The grand master suggested "A plea for universal peace," saying—

May I not say that a meeting of the grand masters of our own land, and of the world if possible, might become a mighty influence in the direction of universal peace. No thought or endeavor could be more appropriate. Our organization is itself a plea for peace. * * * Freemasons need not dwell on the fact that seven tenths of the income of our nation is expended for war and its equipment, and that in other lands the tax is even greater. As Freemasons we cannot fail to deplore the barbarity of the war, the awful sacrifice of human life and human hope, not merely on the field of carnage, or in the hospitals of the world filled with groaning victims, but in the widows and orphans left helpless, starving and dying because their protectors are taken away. Surely it were well for us to consider this, and to support every thought and movement calculated to secure the peace of the world. * * *

Concerning the Washington Memorial, the grand master said—

On account of my many duties I had to deny myself the pleasure of attending the annual meeting of the association held on February 22, 1916, at Alexandria, Va. * * * Alexandria, Va., was really the home town of the Father of his Country, just half way between the national capital and Mt. Vernon, where he lived and died. Here he met with his brethren of the fraternity, and the lodge room yet maintains many of the features and equipment of the time when he was the worshipful master. Here have been gathered many valuable documents and historic mementoes of the great man and Freemason, and to my mind no place in the nation is so well fitted for such a memorial building. It is not a local project, and no mercenary movement is or can possibly be contemplated in connection therewith.

All of which is well known to be true, because Brother Thomas J. Shryock of Maryland has said, in substance, the same things.

The grand master reported the granting of three dispensations to form new lodges during the year; the granting of twenty-three special dispensations permitting lodges to confer the Entered Apprentice degree on more than five candidates at the same meeting; and four dispensations to lay corner stones; six new halls were dedicated by the grand master in person; four

dispensations were granted permitting lodges to elect or install officers "out of time"; and ten dispensations were issued permitting lodges to change place of meeting.

The "circumlocution office" here as elsewhere appears to have done a "land office" business, as five pages of the grand master's address are filled with cases by him reported in which degrees were conferred by the lodges under his obedience, out of courtesy for lodges of foreign jurisdictions, and where foreign lodges had done the like service for Kentucky lodges, all of which was arranged for by him and the several other grand masters concerned.

The grand master reported that two lodges, adjacent to each other had consolidated, and that one charter had been arrested for cause.

The outstanding feature of the grand master's address, the respect in which he establishes a record, is in the number of decisions, or "opinions" reported. Thirty pages are employed in reporting his opinions, and the citing of the seventy-seven cases to which they relate. It would appear that they cover almost every provision of their code, and the address would constitute a good text-book for a kindergarten masonic law school, which, without intention to offend, it is suggested should be started for the benefit of the officers of the lodges of Kentucky.

There certainly could be no two opinions as to the finding of the Committee on Jurisprudence, wherein it is said—

It is evident to your committee, from the number of opinions rendered by the grand master, that the officers of the subordinate lodges do not consult the book of constitutions and digest of decisions and regulations, as most all queries, resulting in the numerous opinions, were answered by citing the lodge, or the brother, to certain sections of the constitution, decisions and regulations. Should this practice continue, and all opinions that are approved become regulations, to be published in the book of constitutions, it would soon be so large and cumbersome as to be a nuisance.

Continuing the committee further reported—

We approve all the grand master's opinions, except the following: "Opinion No. 4, wherein the grand master holds that a demitted Mason has a 'right' to visit a lodge, if no member objects: A demitted Mason has the '*privilege*,' not the '*right*' to visit a lodge, no one objecting. To this extent, only, do we disapprove opinion No. 4. Opinion No. 35, wherein it is held that it is illegal to spread the ballot for initiation, advancement or membership before the expiration of a lunar month, is correct as to membership or initiation. The ballot cannot be spread on one seeking membership or initiation until one lunar month after the petition has been received, but the ballot may be spread for advancement within the lunar month, although the degree cannot be conferred until the expiration of a lunar month from the last degree conferred. * * *

The grand master took occasion to notice a condition, more or less prevalent, that is not peculiar to Kentucky, i. e., that in many lodges the dues

are insufficient to meet the current expenses; likewise, to the waste of means of lodges in the spreading of sumptuous banquets. Concerning the latter he said—

No one enjoys a banquet more than I, but often the expenditures of a lodge exhibit a waste that is almost inexcusable. Some can scarcely gather a respectable attendance without the inducement of lunch and cigars, and very often the banquets are far too costly. * * *

Under the topic "A New Age," the grand master said—

Among many things which have gratified me is the spirit of enterprise manifested in various places in the way of building homes for the lodges. * * * Here and there creditable buildings, some of them well meriting to be called temples, have been, and are being erected, showing that our brethren are enterprising and progressive. * * *

Under the head of "Visitations" the grand master reported that he had made ninety-six visits to eighty of the lodges under his obedience.

This grand lodge maintains an old Mason's home, and a widows' and orphans' home. Speaking of the former the grand master said—

The home is located on a beautiful bluegrass farm of 165 acres, and there is not a better improved farm in Shelby County. * * * There are fifty residents at the home at this time.

Concerning the Widows' and Orphans' Home the grand master said—

"That home is dear to every Mason in Kentucky. The very mention of the name causes the pulse to quicken, the eye to brighten—yea, to moisten. It contains those nearest to our hearts which have long since ceased to beat. It throws out its protecting wings to those who know not how soon some one beloved of them may seek shelter thereunder. We have in the home at this writing 26 widows, 152 girls and 183 boys, making a total of 361 residents. The daily average attendance for the year which closed August 31st, was 246.6. The per capita cost for maintaining the home during the past year was $135.33. Our home, I am happy to say, still stands pre-eminent among all the institutions of our country for careful, conscientious and successful management. * * *

Concluding the grand master said—

If our home is not the most symmetrical and magnificent structure ever erected by human hand, it is to every true and devoted Mason the most beautiful masonic symbol ever contrived. In its structure there are no cedars from Lebanon, nor marble from the quarries from the East, but its foundation is trust in God, and its pillars are faith, hope and charity. The gold of Ophir does not adorn its portals, nor precious stones from afar gem its corridors, but the smiles of cheered widowhood and orphan children illuminate its halls, and its gems are tear drops of gratitude sparkling in the eyes of orphan children. * * *

This language is re-produced because it is deemed beautiful, highly poetical, and fairly characteristic of Southern oratory,—and further to give occasion to the remark, that a few weeks later the grand master of Texas in his annual address uses exactly the same language in speaking of the home in Texas to his grand lodge. It has long been with us, north of the

Ohio river, a matter of wonder and conjecture, as to the manner in which these Southern orators acquire and retain the poetic fancy, and flowery expression which adorn their deliverances. It is believed that this can be answered, in part, and that the answer is that they borrow from each other. The printed Proceedings of Kentucky show that during the session Brother Dan. S. McMillin, the grand master of Texas, was admitted as an honored visitor, and addressed the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. Whether the distinguished brother took occasion to improve his own style of expression while among our Kentucky brethren, or whether he embraced the opportunity to brighten up a little, the Kentucky style of oratory, deponent saith not, as neither of the brethren use quotation marks. It is altogether likely that while the two distinguished brethren were together in Louisville they may have held a conference, and exchanged notes, and the effusion, in part, quoted, may be the joint product of the two great minds. Anyway it is beautiful, and we all devoutly wish there were no other side to the form of beneficence which evoked it. But contemplated in the prosaic, sober light of experience, we who are maintaining homes, have learned that these roseate pictures fail to tell the whole truth. To the extent which the institutional form of beneficence contributes to train and educate those favored with health and prosperity in the sublime and profound truth that "It is more blessed to give than to receive," it is fine, and Southern oratory can not overdraw its beauty, but insofar as it tends to educate the unfortunate and the improvident into expecting something for nothing, it bears an altogether different aspect, and in this regard may well claim the serious attention, even of those of us who contemplate no backward step in the matter of masonic homes.

The masonic temple some years since constructed by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, has become a sort of white elephant, and the grand master suggested that it be transferred to some sort of body, to be used for educational purposes, so as to escape the payment of taxes, as it appears that the rents and profits at present derived come short of paying the taxes and interest on outstanding indebtedness.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the aggregate sum of $110,701.66, of which $44,705.25 was dues from lodges, $34,262.00 was assessments for the Widows' and Orphans' Home, $11,420.25 was assessments for Old Masons' Home, and the balance was derived from divers other sources. The same report shows an apparent gain in membership during the year of 1,050.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters, it was ordered that two new lodges be granted charters, and that three be continued under dispensation, and that the charter of one old lodge be arrested for its failure to meet and attend to the affairs of Masonry.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the grand master to appoint a commission, consisting of five members of the grand lodge, with power to arrange for the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Grand Lodge of England.

An amendment to the constitution, providing for the appointment of a trial commission, was proposed and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and on the recommendation of this committee action thereon was postponed till the next annual meeting.

Brother John N. Saunders was elected grand master, and Brother Dave Jackson was re-elected grand secretary.

A resolution was adopted appointing a committee of eleven members for the purpose of negotiating a sale of the Masonic temple, with power to act, provided that eight of the eleven members of the committee should agree.

Following the installation ceremonies the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's jewel by the grand lodge.

These brethren apparently embrace every opportunity to get a sample of Kentucky oratory into the record, and conforming to this habit, the grand master elect, on being installed, perpetrated a speech concluding as follows—

In the conduct of the office to which you have called me, I shall at all times remember, "United we stand, divided we fall," and that unity only exists when truth is honored, when justice reigns, when manly charity prevails. In the discharge of my official duties, I pledge you my sacred honor I shall dodge no responsibility; I shall straddle no issue; I shall play no man double; and while I may not give you the distinguished administration that characterized each and all of these my predecessors, yet, when I come to lay down the gavel, I shall be satisfied if it is your honest verdict, "Saunders did the best he could."

It appears that our brother, the grand master, is a member of Lincoln Lodge No. 60, and immediately following the speech from which the above is quoted a handsome cluster of flowers was presented to him by said lodge, in a fine address by its representative.

On motion this presentation speech was ordered printed in the proceedings. This publication is quite complimentary to the grand master,—but it would appear a risky business for the members of Lincoln Lodge. If by any chance there should hereafter be a falling out, the grand master might read this speech to the lodge.

As usual, this grand lodge publishes a roster showing lodge membership, and 340 pages of their proceedings are filled with names only. There is a report on the "Proceedings of Grand Lodges," by Brother William W. Clarke, past grand master, which consists of 117 pages of well prepared matter. His treatment of the Proceedings of Illinois (1915), is most cordial and considerate. Of Brother Burnap's annual report he rightly says—

It is a very full and complete report of his official acts, and recommendations for legislation. * * *

He notes Brother Burnap's plea for universal peace, and well says—

The grand master here has touched upon a great but a complicated proposition. A court is respected only as it has power, and to the extent that it has power, to enforce its decrees. Such a tribunal as is suggested can be created only by treaty. * * * It is a consummation devoutly to be wished, and it should be the Mason's hope and prayer that a way to its accomplishment may be found.

He notes what is in the report said about "Moon lodges," and the ruling reported on club rooms adjacent to lodges. He takes note of the action of the grand lodge in the adoption of the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence touching the practice of having the ritualistic work performed on occasion, by brethren of a particular trade, profession or calling. In his review of California, our brother says, concerning the report of Brother Hart, reviewer for the Grand Lodge of California—

Referring to the proposal to reduce the ritual to cipher, and its rejection by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, he expresses the opinion that such action would be an infringement of the entered apprentice obligation.

To which Brother Clarke adds, as a clincher—

There is one fact that seems generally to have escaped notice,—while every jurisdiction possesses the masonic esotery, it is the exclusive property of none, but each holds it in sacred trust for all.

The views of these two distinguished brethren are commended in that they expose two fallacies, and affirmatively show: 1. The authorization or permission of a printed or cipher ritual by a grand lodge does not relieve a brother who makes use of it from the sanction of his entered apprentice obligation. 2. Those grand lodges which authorize or permit a printed or cipher ritual cannot be heard to say that it is nobody's business but theirs. These views of Brethren Hart and Clarke are specially commended to the brethren of North Dakota.

In his conclusion Brother Clarke says:

We thought at one time that in our "Conclusion" we would say something about the recently exploited general grand lodge, but as that absurdity is doing the one meritorious thing within its power, performing the "fade away" act, we shall let it quietly and peacefully pass into the oblivion it merits, "unwept, unhonored and unsung."

This writer might as well confess that he is in full sympathy with Brother Clarke in this, as well as most other matters connected with Masonry, so far as his views are reflected in his writings, but we must remember that Past Grand Master Mikels of Indiana, Miller of Oregon and Block of Iowa entertain different views concerning the proposition of a general grand lodge.

The next annual meeting will be held at Louisville, October 16, 1917.

Brother JAMES N. SAUNDERS, Grand Master, Stanford; Brother DAVE JACKSON, Grand Secretary, Louisville.

## LOUISIANA—1917

225 Lodges 106th Annual 18,314 Members

The attractive, well printed volume of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by full page portraits of Brethren John W. Armstrong, grand master, and A. G. Ricks, grand treasurer. The annual meeting was held at New Orleans, commencing February 5, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over by Brother B. B. Purser, grand master, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers. Lending dignity to the assemblage, eight past grand masters were in attendance, and the ambassadors from fifty-seven foreign grand bodies were present, Brother Charles F. Buck, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address fills seventy-three pages, and contains an account of his official acts, with a number of recommendations, together with his views on many matters.

Under the topic, "State of the Order," the grand master said—

There was a time when the deep significance of the ceremonies coming down, as they have from the dim past, were wonderfully attractive— * * * but it has begun to appear that the show of tinsel and brass, and the blare of trumpet and newspaper notoriety, public parades, garbed in fantastic and gaudy costumes, have become the center of attraction, and the sublime degree of Master Mason is about to become, in the minds of the thoughtless and profane nothing more nor less than a door mat spread before the portals of appendant degrees and organizations. And the question is asked, not how useful may I become to humanity when I become a Master Mason, but how long will it take me to become a Shriner? * * * In these days we hear much of the playground of Freemasonry, and the flower-garden of Freemasonry, catch phrases invented and put forth, often by well-meaning Masons, and friends of the organization,—but Masonry has no playground or flower-garden, etc. * * * It has, and should have naught to do with vaudeville, red and green fire, blatant street parades, and that class of notoriety. * * * The conservative and thoughtful Mason, while not viewing these matters with great alarm, still realizes that sooner or later—and conditions now appear that it will be sooner,—the picnic idea must be eliminated. The organizations which have crept in and fastened upon the great body of Freemasonry are like vegetable parasites and fungi. * * * I look forward to the rapidly approaching time when the evil effects of organizations which claim to be masonic, because composed exclusively of Masons, or because fastened upon the Masonic organization, will be innocuous, either because under the ban of the Masons or because of internal reformation.

Those of us whose activities are confined to Masonry, who regard nothing as "Masonic" except the Masonry bounded by the ancient charges, which recognizes no distinctions among Masons save those of Apprentice, Fellow and Master, will scarcely find it expedient either to place a ban upon, or to be solicitous for the reformation of any of the orders referred to in

the distinguished brother's jeremiade. If Freemasonry as such would refrain, consistently and universally from recognizing as masonic everything which is not Masonry, all the bodies characterized as "vegetable fungi," would rapidly enough, either become innocuous, or cease to have any deleterious effect upon the ancient craft.

Concerning district deputy grand masters, it is said—

I have several excellent district deputies. The majority, however, have not even so much as sent in their formal printed reports. * * * As the appointment carries some honor and gives some pleasure to the recipient, and costs practically nothing, the system might as well be continued. * * *

Under the topic, "Grand Lecturers," the grand master said—

A painstaking and careful study of the system in our state, as compared to sister grand jurisdictions, convinces me that the results obtained are not at all commensurate with the amount of money we spend; that systems in effect in other states are far superior to ours. * * * The expenses have increased from year to year until now it costs the grand lodge for its system of disseminating the secret work approximately $375.00 per month. * * * From reports made by the grand lecturers, which cover five officers of each lodge, it appears that seventeen and one-half per cent were entirely absent from the lodge when the lecturer was present after notice. Approximately twenty-eight per cent were proficient, and approximately fifty-four and one-half per cent were declared not proficient. * * * I strongly recommend the adoption of the resolution introduced last year which will change the system of disseminating the work from that which now obtains to the schools of instruction. * * *

The committee to whom the resolution alluded to by the grand master had been referred, made report, in which it was recommended that a change to the school system be made, in accordance with the views of the grand master, but sure enough the record shows that—

The report of the committee was received, but the resolution was not adopted.

Under the topic "Foreign Relations," the grand master, after two pages of argumentative preachment, which if it proves anything, proves that the poisonous "vegetable parasites and fungi" of which he complains, have inoculated his own mind, concludes by saying—

I favor and recommend the recognition of the Grand Orient of France.

This being referred to the Committee on Correspondence was reported upon as follows; (in part)—

Your committee, * * * respectfully report that we have had the matter under most careful consideration, and are inclined to believe that it is the right of the Grand Orient to receive our renewal of recognition, but we have been unable to obtain such documentary evidence as we feel necessary to justify us in recommending it for your consideration. We therefore ask that your committee be granted further time for investigation, etc. * * *

This action need excite no surprise when it is understood that the Grand Lodge of Louisiana recognizes as masonic, and is in fraternal correspondence

with the governing masonic (so-called) bodies of Brazil, Chihuahua, Chili, Costa Rica, Eclectic Union, Hamburg, Hungary, National Grand Lodge of Germany, Norway, Nuevo Leon, Peru, Salvador, Sweden, Switzerland, Three Globes, Valle de Mexico, and Zur Zonne.

Those who are so badly inoculated by the "vegetable fungi," or something else, that they are unable to discriminate between the Masonry of the ancient charges and the systems propagated by this heterogenious agglomeration, ought to be able to swallow a Grand Orient or two before breakfast.

For the purpose of keeping in practice until the Grand Orient is prepared to taste, or possibly as an appetizer, the following was, on recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence, adopted—

Resolved that the Supreme Council of Central America A. & A. S. Rite be, and the same is hereby recognized as a legitimate governing body, and possessed of exclusive sovereignty at the present time within the state of Honduras.

The grand master recommended that the annual dues of all lodges be fixed at a minimum sum of not less than six dollars, that grand masters be instructed *not* to issue special dispensations for public, or joint installations, and that the grand lodge construe, for the benefit of all lodges the term "joint occupancy." All of these being referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence were, wisely, put to sleep; i. e., rendered innocuous. The grand master reported the instituting of one lodge, the constituting of two lodges and the laying of seven corner stones.

Forty-one special dispensations were reported, eighteen to enable lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as prescribed by the by-laws; ten permitting public installations; three permitting a change of place of meeting; one to permit a lodge to suspend labor for a given time, and nine for various other purposes, about as important as those given.

An application for a special dispensation was made by the "Monarch of the Shalimar Grotto, Veiled Prophets," to circularize the members of the Masonic Fraternity of New Orleans, inviting them to patronize, as Masons, some sort of a public *fete*, upon the condition that ten *per centum* of the proceeds from the sale of tickets should be paid to Relief Lodge No. 1. The grand master thanked the "Monarch" for the offer to divvy, but declined to grant the dispensation. In the matter of decisions, or rulings, the grand master made some record, reporting no fewer than ninety-three, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge in a block. Most of them are of such a character as to excite astonishment that a grand master should have been called upon to pass upon them. Five of them relate to physical qualifications, and all are correct perhaps, according to the Louisiana interpretation of the land-marks. No. 11 presented the case of a brother who had received the degrees in a Louisiana Lodge, after

which he demitted and became a member of a lodge in a sister jurisdiction. Afterwards, he demitted from the latter lodge, and presented dimit, and again petitioned the lodge where he had been initiated. The grand master decided that the petition could not be received because the brother was not a resident of Louisiana.

In No. 40, a case is presented where a lodge for the purpose of paying indebtedness levied a special assessment of five dollars upon its members in addition to the annual dues fixed by the by-laws, and the question was presented—

Can a member be suspended if he has paid his dues but refused or neglects to pay his assessment?

The grand master decided in the affirmative. This is probably in accordance with their law, but if so, it smacks more of the spirit of the rules of some of the grand master's "vegetable fungi" bodies than of Ancient Craft Masonry.

For the purpose of showing what a ravenous appetite for decisions some brethren have, the following is re-produced—

No. 54. Can the members of a lodge going out as a body, and not subordinate to any other organization, wear a ribbon with the name and number of the lodge printed thereon, with the place and date?

This important matter was decided in the affirmative—

Provided the same be a reasonable size. * * *

The grand master's decision, numbered 63, is deemed to be unique in the annals of masonic jurisprudence. He was asked whether or not it is permissible for the Jerusalem Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.,—whatever that may be,—to circularize the lodges, and individual Masons soliciting them to become purchasers of bonds for the new mosque. The grand master decided, in effect, that the venders of these bonds might solicit lodges, as lodges, to become purchasers, but that no solicitation of individual members of lodges would be permitted. Although this decision passed muster with the committee and the grand lodge, yet it is believed that as an interpretation of masonic law, it is incorrect both in its relations to lodges, and to individual members of lodges. The funds of lodges are raised by levying contributions upon the members thereof, and are for the legitimate purposes of Masonry, the current expenses of lodges, grand lodge dues, the relief of the distressed, and the like. To employ the funds raised for these, and like purposes, for speculation, or investment surely is a questionable proposition, and ought not to be permitted. If, however, an individual member of a lodge has the money, and the disposition to invest, no reason is perceived why he should be inhibited from purchasing bonds, or why those having bonds for sale should not be permitted to solicit business of him. If the investment turns out well he will make a profit, if not he alone will lose. The individual

may take these chances if he desires, but the lodge, not being a money-making concern, and having no funds of its own, cannot lawfully be permitted to take chances. But whatever may be thought of the decision, it is nothing like so faulty as the reasons alleged by the grand master, supporting the same. He says—

I do not believe that the Shrine, the Grotto, the Order of the Eastern Star and similar organizations could be permitted to solicit individual subscriptions in the lodges. The Consistory is not only an organization composed exclusively of Masons, but is in itself a masonic organization. It has been so recognized by all grand lodges, and especially in Louisiana, etc. * * *

This specious announcement contains one grain, and the fraction of a grain, of truth, as the matter is generally understood, i. e., it is probably true that the Grand Lodge of Louisiana recognizes the Consistory as a masonic organization (which does not make it so). The statement that it is composed of Masons, is generally true as to those bodies thereof in the United States, the British Isles, and the British provinces, but as to those bodies in Mexico, South America and the continent of Europe, it is impossible that it could be true, because there is no Masonry, (of the character defined by the ancient charges), in those countries, with the possible exception of Holland. Even though this statement contained two whole grains of truth, it is difficult at this great distance to perceive how it gives the slightest support to the rule, by implication fixed, as to soliciting for investment in bonds.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of $49,799.52 of which the sum of $26,256.34 was from chartered lodge, $10,376.00 was rent, and the balance was from divers other sources.

The same report shows a net increase in membership of 552.

On the second day an evening session was held at which an oration was delivered by Brother George Soule, which he was pleased to name, "Masonic Miscellany." It is printed in full in the proceedings, and parts of it are quite interesting.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances made report of a matter of something more than usual interest, as showing how matters practiced and learned in some of the grand master's "vegetable fungi" bodies find their way into the lodge, and the brethren are led away from the laws and usages of our ancient institution. A certain lodge built a fine temple incurring a considerable debt. Thereupon it passed a by-law, providing that no member should under any circumstances be granted a demit until this indebtedness was discharged. The grand master disapproved this by-law, and declared it void and of no effect. The lodge appealed from this action of the grand master, bringing the matter before the grand lodge. The grand master's action was sustained by the committee, and the grand lodge.

A resolution was presented, requiring all who shall hereafter be raised to the degree of Master Mason to exhibit proficiency in the catechism of said degree, within a certain time after being raised, or be deprived from voting or holding office. This was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and in its report it is well said—

Your committee is not in favor of legislation which tends to compel a man to do something for his own benefit which he does not wish to do, the doing of which cannot be enforced.

In other words, they believe it to be all right to lead the horse to the water trough, but were opposed to a law attempting to compel him to drink. The recommendation of the committee was concurred in and the resolution failed to pass.

The representatives of foreign grand bodies were lined up and a felicitous welcome extended to them by the grand master, which was in like terms responded to by Brother L. E. Thomas, envoy of Missouri.

Brother John W. Armstrong was elected grand master, and Brother John A. Davilla was re-elected grand secretary.

There is a brief review of the proceedings of other grand lodges, subscribed by Brother Herman C. Duncan, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence.

He reviews the Proceedings of Illinois for 1915 and 1916. He lays Brother Burnap's annual report under contribution for what is therein said concerning the European war; the case of the gentleman who desired to be relieved of the attentions of the lady, supposed to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star; the man who invoked the grand master's assistance in the collection of a debt; the wife who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband; the twice rejected man who desired to be made a Mason at sight, and his favorable report as to the working of the new law, providing for trials in lodges by commission. He quotes the greater part of a page from the annual report of Brother Wheeler (1916), re-producing what is therein said concerning electioneering for lodge offices, and the discussion in lodges of questions of public policy. He notes the reception in grand lodge of the children from the home, at La Grange, and the favorable decision of the Supreme Court of Illinois, in our lawsuit with the school board of La Grange.

Brother John W. Armstrong, Grand Master, Welsh; Brother John A. Davilla, Grand Secretary, New Orleans.

## MAINE—1917

206 Lodges 98th Annual 31,855 Members

As a frontispiece to the volume of proceedings of this grand lodge, there is a fine likeness of the grand secretary, Brother Stephen Berry. The annual communication was held at Portland, commencing May 1, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, Brother Waldo Pettengill, all the other officers being in their stations. Lending dignity to the occasion. seven past grand masters were in attendance, and the ambassadors of thirty-eight foreign grand lodges occupied the diplomatic circle, the envoy of Illinois not of the number.

In the address of the grand master the first topic touched upon was the war, upon which he said, in part—

War, with all its attendant evils has deluged the land with blood, as the several nations are striving to secure peace and liberty for the future. * * * Our country has taken the stand to assist in bringing about this happy conclusion, and we all as loyal citizens of our country, and in accordance with the solemn obligations taken at our altars, are bound by duty and manhood to use our best energies, physical, material and mental, to assist in every possible way our President and his advisors in this day of national trial, etc. * * *

Under the head of "Deaths," the grand master announced the decease, during the year of several brethren of local prominence.

Eleven special dispensations were reported for purposes such as attending divine services in masonic regalia, balloting, conferring degrees, and holding elections, *out of time*, and the like.

Two new halls were dedicated by the grand master, one at Exeter and one at Wilton.

Under the head of "Decisions," the grand master reported that—

All the questions asked were answered by former rulings, or the action of the grand lodge. I would recommend that the constitution and regulations of the grand lodge be read frequently by the brethren and for the benefit of all the craft, thereby saving the asking of questions already "answered."

Concerning the grand secretary he said—

For more than sixty years he has served the craft as a recording officer, so far as I know the longest period of service of any one in masonic history. It appears to me that it is due to him that some recognition should be made by this grand lodge of his long and faithful service, and some measure adopted whereby the heavy duties he has borne so long may be lightened in his declining years, etc. * * *

This suggestion was referred to a committee, and upon its report and recommendation the following resolution was on motion unanimously adopted, to-wit—

Resolved, that this grand lodge of Maine make Brother Stephen Berry, grand secretary emeritus, *ad vitam,* and that the grand treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay to him in monthly installments the same salary as last year.

The statistical tables show the collection during the year of the sum of $10,129.16 on account of the General Fund, and of $4,252.49 on account of the Charity Fund. The table of returns of lodges shows a net increase in membership for the year of 527.

Brother Waldo Pettengill was re-elected grand master, and Brother Charles B. Davis was elected grand secretary. On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, it was ordered that one new lodge be granted a charter. The reports of the district deputy grand masters are printed in the proceedings and tend to show careful supervision. In the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, it is said—

From the reports of the district deputy grand masters your committee note an improvement in the rendition of the ritual and general work of conferring degrees. The reports show that the records and books are well kept, the financial condition of the lodges improved and dues are better collected. The value of schools of instruction have been so often and so well demonstrated that your committee recommend that they be continued for the coming year. * * *

Past Grand Master Bodge introduced a resolution providing that the grand lodge subscribe five hundred dollars to the George Washington Memorial Association. This resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance, which reported in favor of *trimming* the contribution down to one hundred dollars. The grand lodge however amended the report, and ordered that the contribution be made in the sum of five hundred dollars.

The report on foreign correspondence is again by Brother Albro E. Chase, past grand master, and is fully up to the usual standard of excellence of this brother's work. Illinois (for 1916) receives favorable notice in his report, and his notes are discriminating and fair. He quotes extensively from Brother Wheeler's annual report, reproducing that part thereof announcing the appointment of his advisory council: the division of the state into three "regions," placing one of the three officers next to him in rank in charge of each region; what is in the report said, (in part) concerning schools of instruction; and getting the names of the "legally dead" off of the books. He takes note of what is said concerning the revision of the monitor, and the publication of bulletins by lodges.

He evinces the fact that he was pleased by Brother Oscar Kopf's oration by quoting therefrom. He was pleased to commend in a general way,

the performance of this writer, and re-produces some parts of the review by him made last year, from which it might be inferred that he is in accord with the notions of the writer, concerning, "publicity," (Connecticut, 1916); "physical qualifications," (Iowa, 1916), and "side issues," (Michigan, 1916).

The next Annual will be held at Portland, May 7, 1918.

Brother WALDO PETTENGILL, Grand Master, Rumford; Brother CHARLES B. DAVIS, Grand Secretary, Portland.

## MANITOBA—1917

78 LODGES 42ND ANNUAL 7,393 MEMBERS

The annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was held at Winnipeg, commencing June 13, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over by the grand master, Brother Henry E. Belcher, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers. Lending dignity to the occasion eleven past grand masters, and many other past grand officers were in attendance, and the representatives of twenty-eight foreign grand bodies were seated in the diplomatic circle, Brother Robert T. Hewitt, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address fills twelve pages and as might be expected, the war, and matters incident thereto are treated at considerable length. He says, in part—

Since the last communication of grand lodge we have lost by reason of the war fifty-one brethren, who have vindicated the principles of Masonry by giving their lives. * * * Lincoln's immortal Gettysburg oration is the finest modern attempt to state in words the debt of the free peoples to their soldier dead, and is no doubt responsible for the spirit of the following editorial. * * *

Whereupon the grand master quotes an editorial from which we excerpt—

Heroes of democracy, citizen soldiers, many of whom had never used a rifle three years ago, they have stormed the strongholds of a military race, carried the flag of Canada to the objective their leaders set them, and shown that they could die nobly in a great cause. To us it remains, first to fill the gaps in the ranks which they have left, that their sacrifices may not be in vain; secondly, to see in after years that the principles they fought for shall be maintained, and that no more petty autocrats or military caste, either in our own or any other country, shall have the power again to bleed the nations and prepare for war. Our boys have died as a protest against all

the false standards which have so long made the nations an armed camp, of sweltering slaves. They will have died in vain; first, if the fight does not go on to a victory which is beyond question; secondly, if the peace that is made is a small peace; thirdly, if militaryism does not receive its death-blow, no matter who tries to becloud the issue, or wantonly call upon our illustrious dead in favor of keeping the nations in arms, according to the gospel of preparedness, which is the gospel of distrust and hate, etc. * * *

Of the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Grand Lodge of England it is stated in the address—

It is known to you all that the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Grand Lodge of England will be celebrated on Saint John the Baptist's day, June 24th, and the fiftieth anniversary of the formation of the Dominion of Canada on July 1st, 1917. These are notable dates, and should be linked in our minds, as both mark distinct advances in the march of democracy. * * * The federation of the Canadian Provinces into the Dominion of Canada is closer to us in purpose and in time, as individuals, than the foundation of the Grand Lodge of England, and we have a personal sense of possession in it. We each have a part to play in the training of this lusty young giant among the nations, and we propose to carry (it) on. * * * Masonry holding tenaciously to truth possessed, and yet ever seeking more and greater truth has a function to perform in this new country; her duty is to remind the Mason of the old fundamentals, etc. * * *

Concerning life insurance the grand master said—

Several times during the past year questions were asked in regard to masonic insurance, and I take this opportunity of stating to new members who are possibly not fully informed in such matters, that this grand lodge has no relations with any insurance organization whatsoever, etc. * * *

Unfortunately the activities of this species of grafter is not confined to Manitoba, but right here in Illinois a disposition to get under the shelter of Freemasonry in the prosecution of this business is all too manifest. It was the late Joseph Robbins who gave expression to the view that a "Masonic Soap Factory" should be considered just as legitimate as a masonic insurance company, and most of us think the same thing, unless we see some way of participating in the profits of this graft.

The grand master took occasion to express his approval of the holding of "District Meetings," reporting that seven such meetings had been held during the year, all of which he attended. He also reported the official visitation of eleven of the lodges under his obedience, and says—

I also visited unofficially a number of lodge meetings. * * *

The address concludes most happily, and the conclusion might well be reproduced in full. The following must suffice—

In the peaceful years of the past we are prone to quote poetry about Masonry, and try to impress ourselves that the ritualistic statements concerning the devine origin of Masonry were to be taken literally, and that it was something to be admired at a distance, to be enshrined in a lodge-room and wondered about as the Ephesians worshiped the image which fell

down from Jupiter. We are now nearly ready to talk prose about it, to recognize it is no more divine than the home, the school, the court of justice, the hospital or any other upward-looking institution. * * * Our lodges today are helping to mould public opinion, thus influencing democracy for its work of civilizing the world. And what is civilization? It is a plant rooted in the warm South, spreading towards the North, but not yet blooming in all its northern branches. It contains the moral law of old Egypt, the free spirit of ancient Greece, the soul of Judea, the breadth and strength of Roman justice, the kindliness of the freedom-loving races of Southern Europe, etc. * * *

Following the grand master's address are the reports of the ten district deputy grand masters, which tend to show careful supervision of the lodges, and a healthy condition throughout the jurisdiction.

In the afternoon of the first day of the session the grand chaplain delivered a highly instructive address entitled, "The Religious Significance of Masonic Symbols," which by order of the grand lodge is printed in the proceedings, and is well worthy of preservation and careful perusal. From the brother's conclusion the following is exerpted—

The world in which we live becomes the creation of our own eyes; men become like the gods they serve, like the things they see, which makes this gospel of the symbol and its proper interpretation one of the great essentials of Masonry. For some, this world is but a market place wherein to trade and sell their goods; for others it is nothing more than a banqueting hall to fulfill desire and indulgence; for others still it is one vast arena of pleasure for the satisfaction of time and sense; for others it is holy ground with every bush aflame with God and truth, full of interest, full of charm, bringing light and inspiration upon the riddle of life. * * *

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection of the sum of $8,250.77 besides the sum of $1,907.10 on account of the "Aged and Indigent Masons' Fund." From the same report a net increase in membership for the year of 152 is shown. From the same report it appears that sixty-seven special dispensations were issued, of which twenty-eight were for the purpose of permitting lodges to attend divine service, twenty-one permitting lodges to elect and install officers out of time, nine to permit the conferring of degrees without reference to time limit, and the balance were for purposes of about the same consequence. The same report shows the issuing of one dispensation for the formation of a new lodge.

From the report of the Board of General Purposes, approved by the grand lodge, two items are of interest, namely, the designation of a committee on "Masonic Research and Education," and the adoption of a resolution to the effect that—

The use of masonic emblems, other than those authorized by a regularly constituted lodge of Masons is wrong.

Nine pages of the proceedings are covered by a report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, which report constitutes several kinds

of a document, partaking even of the grotesque, in that it contains the recommendation that the rank of "Past District Deputy Grand Master" be conferred upon the then present ten district deputy grand masters, which was concurred in by the grand lodge, and thus ten worthy brethren were made happy.

Fourteen pages of the proceedings are filled with a list of the names of members of lodges engaged in active service in the Canadian expeditionary forces.

Brother Percy E. Kellett was elected grand master, and Brother James A. Ovas was re-elected grand secretary.

There is a report of a Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence subscribed as last year, by Brother Percy E. Kellett, which was on motion received and adopted, and appears in the printed proceedings. It consists of thirty-six pages, and the doings of other grand lodges, what little is reported thereof, are arranged topically. The brother in culling here and there for the matter of his report, apparently found nothing in the proceedings of Illinois to challenge his attention. Under the topic, "Higher Degrees," the brother took occasion to express himself in a way to demonstrate that his head is level,—at least a part of the time. He says—

The thought is gaining ground in many jurisdictions that the time has come when fundamental Masonry, that Masonry which has stood the test of centuries, should assert itself, and assume its rightful position. The so-called "Higher Degree" bodies are recognized by all who are familiar with them as having a distinct purpose to serve in supplying a post graduate course in Masonry to those who have shown themselves worthy. It is recognized that they can and do in many cases broaden the scope and meaning of the Blue Lodge ritual. But objection is made when in some cases, as is evident from the comment made, these so-called "Higher Degree" bodies attempt to make Craft Masonry merely a recruiting ground, and treat their own degrees as something superior to, and greater than Craft Masonry, and by so doing tend to lessen rather than increase interest in the Masonry of the Blue Lodges. The time is considered to be ripe by many for declaring that the Master Mason's degree is the highest and greatest masonic degree, and that any thing else is simply explanatory and subsidiary to it, etc. * * * Pure Ancient Masonry consists of three degrees and no more,—Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason. Etc. * * *

Under the topic, "Masonic Unity," it is stated in the report—

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, for the attainment of our universal brotherhood, adopted the principle that we can enter into fraternal relationship with any masonic body whose members are good men and true, men of honor and honesty, etc. * * * and that in countries where Craft Masonry was allied with or governed by the authority of the so-called higher degree bodies, that itself would be no bar to our recognizing the Masons of the craft lodges, etc. * * * In other words masonic unity is to be promoted by the recognition of those forms of imitations of Masonry which are floating around, provided those who propagate them are men of honor and honesty.

It is interesting to note that a different course was pursued by the masonic world in the arrangement of the rival claims of the Regional Grand Lodge de Philippas No. 2—so-called, and the Regular Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands. The grotesque claims of the former body were unceremoniously thrown out of court, whereupon its lodges, (about thirty of them during the last year) disbanded, the brethren of whom they were composed demonstrated that they were men of honor and honesty, as well as common sense, by petitioning the regular grand lodge for dispensations for the formation of regular lodges, and notable progress is thus being made there in the direction of masonic unity. This would appear to be indicative of the correct programme for the treatment of all the imitations of Masonry.

Other portions of this interesting report had been marked for treatment but space forbids.

The next Annual will be held at Winnipeg, June 12, 1918.

Brother Percy E. Kellett, Grand Master, Winnipeg; Brother James A. Ovas, Grand Secretary, Winnipeg.

## MARYLAND—1916

116 Lodges 130th Annual 17,800 Members

An attractive appearing, well printed pamphlet of two hundred and ten pages gives an account of the proceedings of this grand lodge at the semi-annual communication held at Baltimore on the second Tuesday in May, 1916, and the annual communication held at the same place on the third Tuesday in November, 1916. At the first mentioned meeting the grand lodge was opened in due form by the deputy grand master, Brother Charles C. Homer, Jr. Whereupon a resolution was offered and unanimously adopted, in which the sympathy of the members of the grand lodge with the grand master, Brother Thomas J. Shryock, in the loss of his beloved wife was expressed, it appearing that the companion of the grand master had been recently called from him by death. Following the adoption of this resolution, the grand marshal with the grand pursuivant and director of ceremonies proceeded to the apartment of the grand master and informed him that the Grand Lodge of Maryland was opened, and awaiting his pleasure. The grand master, accompanied by the right worshipful grand sword bearer, was escorted into the grand lodge; his entrance was proclaimed by the right worshipful grand marshal, the grand honors were given, and the most worshipful grand master was conducted to the East. It further appears that the most worshipful grand master made an address in which he welcomed the

brethren of the grand lodge to this communication. The address is not reported, nor is there any further intimation of its purport given.

The grand secretary, grand treasurer, treasurer of the relief, and treasurer of the library committees, made their several reports, which were referred to the Committe on Accounts.

An amendment to the constitutioin was introduced reducing the *per capita* tax on county members from $1.50 per year to $1.20 per year, and on city members from $2.10 per year to $1.80 per year.

The grand master stated that a movement was being advocated by several lodges to inaugurate an employment bureau, and he therefore designated a committee of five brethren to consider the feasibility of adopting such measure under the supervision of the grand lodge. Whereupon, after a musical programme, the grand lodge closed with prayer by the grand chaplain.

At the annual meeting the grand lodge was opened in form by the senior grand warden after prayer by the grand chaplain, after which the grand master was escorted into the grand lodge with the same spectacular ceremony as above mentioned. The grand master announced the usual committees, after which were submitted, and referred to the Committee on Accounts, the reports of the grand secretary, grand treasurer, the treasurer of the board of relief and the treasurer of the Committee on Library.

Taking the semi-annual and annual reports of the grand secretary together they show the collection during the year of $105,628.80 of which $38,049.70 was grand lodge dues. A net gain in membership for the year of 665 appears from the same report.

The amendment for the purpose of reducing the *per capita* tax, introduced at the semi-annual session came up for action, and on report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, was adopted. The argument in its favor urged was to the effect that the grand lodge is getting out of debt too rapidly, and that it is unfair to leave to posterity such a great amount of property and effects, without a due proportion of debt. After all, possibly posterity might have forgiven them if they had kept the dues up, and wiped out the debt. The committee, however, said—

Recognizing that a nominal debt placed at a low rate of interest in any business organization having a fair income or revenue for all its requirements is not considered a burden in these days, nor is it deemed good business in municipal financiering that the present generation should pay for the improvements of a permanent character and let posterity enjoy such advantages and improvements without bearing its proportion of the cost for the benefits accrued. These facts apply equally to our grand lodge and the debt of the masonic temple, and we feel certain that our grand master had this in mind when he deferred to his cherished ambition to see the temple free of debt, and when he recommended this reduction in the *per capita* tax, etc. * * *

Apart from this intimation there is nothing in the record tending to show that the grand master had anything in mind concerning either posterity or the reduction of the dues.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances had one case which it reported to the grand lodge, and which it treated in a most thorough, not to say exhaustive manner, and, which on its recommendation was reversed and remanded for a new trial. In support of its recommendation this committee quoted a full page from the report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, as found in our Proceedings for 1915 (Appendix, page 363). Brethren J. E. Dyas, Judge Hadley and H. L. Palmer, as well as this writer, will be disposed to admit that good authority was cited by the Maryland committee.

The committee appointed at the semiannual meeting to consider the feasibility of establishing an employment bureau reported that they were unable to determine whether or not the grand lodge should undertake such enterprise, and recommended—

That an appropriation of one thousand dollars be made by this grand body to its board of managers, the same to be used by said board in further investigation of the wisdom of establishing an employment bureau in this state, etc. * * *

Following this in the record comes the announcement which, as it circulates both far and wide around the globe will cause the masonic world to take notice. Quoting from the proceedings—

The most worshipful grand master announced that the time had arrived for the election of grand officers for the ensuing term, and then vacated the East, which was assumed by Brother Charles C. Homer, Jr., R. W. deputy grand master, who presided during the election of most worshipful grand master, the result of which was the unanimous re-election of Most Worshipful Brother Thomas J. Shryock, most worshipful grand master for the thirty-second time. The most worshipful grand master, after making a short address, resumed the East, and the other grand officers were elected, etc.

The grand master, having buried all his peers, was installed by the deputy grand master, Brother Charles C. Homer. The grand master then installed the other grand lodge officers, the ceremonies being accompanied by classical music, the usual committees were appointed, whereupon the grand lodge was closed with prayer by the grand chaplain.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Brother Henry Branch, grand chaplain, and past senior grand warden, and consists of a review of fifty-four grand lodges, filling only eighty pages. He devoted a little above one page to the Proceedings of Illinois for 1915. He lays Brother Burnap's annual report under contribution for what is therein stated concerning the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital. He takes note of our lawsuit with the Board of Education of La Grange (since decided in our favor by the Su-

preme Court); of the report of our Committee on Music; of the adoption of a funeral ceremony for cases of cremation, and is attracted by the picture of the famous riding mare of the late Robert Miller.

Bro. GEORGE COOK, Grand Secretary, Masonic Temple, Baltimore.

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## MASSACHUSETTS—1916

269 LODGES 183RD ANNUAL 72,499 MEMBERS

Quarterly communications of this grand lodge were held at Boston, on March 8, 1916, June 14, 1916, September 13, 1916, and December 13, 1916, respectively, and the "Stated Communication and Feast of St. John the Evangelist" was held at Boston on December 27, 1916. At each of these gatherings the grand lodge was opened in ample form and presided over by the grand master, Brother Melvin M. Johnson. The volume of proceedings is a sort of record breaker in several respects. It weighs four pounds, avoirdupois, contains more than a thousand pages, and to give even a catalogue or index showing its contents would more than exhaust the space for this report. By way of embellishment it contains a full page picture of the retiring grand master, Brother Johnson, likewise, pictures of some twenty of our ancient worthies, too numerous to name, each of whom made his contribution to the making of this western world a place fit for habitation, and incident thereto had something to do with the planting or propagation of Masonry. Noticeable among them is John Paul Jones, according to the notions of this writer the "Father" and "Patron Saint" of the U. S. Navy; and John Eliot, the historic missionary to the Indians. Also, there appear cuts of two masonic temples, one at Methuen and one at Salem, and *fac similes* of a large number of ancient manuscripts, by way of illustration. Judging from the way the space in the printed proceedings is employed it would appear that the principal business of the grand lodge for the current year was the rehearsal of the early history of Massachusetts Freemasonry, and the approval and recording of the biographies of those who contributed to its establishment. In fact, a study of the volume would be a regular and continuous picnic for the masonic antiquary. At the quarterly first above mentioned the grand master addressed the grand lodge at considerable length, the first topic being that of "Necrology," under which he announced the death of several brethren of local prominence. Next he mentioned the chain letter, and from his report it appears that some association of persons, by the perennial chain letter system is working Massachusetts for the funds wherewith to erect a monument to the late

President McKinley. The grand master concluded by saying, very properly—

The proper place for chain letters, and all unapproved circular appeals for masonic aid is the waste-basket.

From what is reported it appears that the grand master has been grievously tormented by "irregularly made Masons," that is such as, to use his language have "Been made in regular lodges, but in an unconstitutional or unlawful manner," and the brethren are warned to admit none such into their lodges.

Under the topic, "Masonic Lecture Course," announcement was made of a series of lectures to be delivered, and the brethren were urged to give publicity to these appointments. The course included five lectures by Brother Roscoe Pound, L.L.D., one by the grand master, one by the grand secretary, Brother Frederick W. Hamilton, D.D., L.L.D., and one each by the following brethren: Perry Bush, D.D., Fred E. Marble, Ph.D., and Emery Gibbs.

Under the topic, "An Ancient Diploma," the grand master reported that during the year the grand lodge had been presented with a diploma, dated Louisburg, May 5, 1760. By searching the archives of Massachusetts it had been ascertained that the person named in this document, Benjn. Frothingham, had lived in Charlestown, that military business might have taken him to Louisburg, but so far, there is nothing to show that there ever existed a warranted lodge fitting the one from which the diploma appears to have been issued. Nevertheless, the grand master covers several pages in the discussion of this find, which he evidently considers important.

Report is made of the appointment of a district grand master for China, with headquarters at Shanghai, and a like officer for Chile, whose station is at Valparaiso. Massachusetts appears to have four lodges in China, three in Chile and five in the Canal Zone.

On recommendation of the grand master it was ordered that charters be issued to one lodge in Massachusetts and a new army lodge in the Canal Zone.

At a special communication held at Boston May 11, 1916, a monument to Jeremy Gridley, grand master 1755-1767, was dedicated, on which occasion the grand master delivered a long address, giving a minute biography of the departed brother. A cut of this monument appears in the proceedings.

At a special communication held at Boston May 17, 1916, for the purpose of celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of Eliot Lodge, Brother Charles T. Gallagher, past grand master, delivered an address covering twelve pages, containing a biography and eulogy of John Eliot, the illustrious preacher,

and missionary to the Indians, in whose honor the lodge appears to have been named.

The grand master's address at the quarterly held June 14, 1916, announces the decease of several brethren of local prominence, the measure of success attending the lecture course, the presentation to the grand lodge of a set of champagne glasses used by a brother long since deceased, in entertaining the late Marquis De Lafayette in 1825, and the activities of their "Employment Bureau," etc., after, or following which the grand master took occasion to make some observations which are characterized by common sense, and which cannot be too often nor too urgently insisted upon, under the caption of "Baiting and Bantering Candidates." He says, in part—

Many candidates present themselves at our doors expecting to be made sport of—that the ceremonies are to be characterized by fun and frolic, if not by farce and buffoonery. Part of this is gathered from the comic papers, part from idle jest, and part, I regret to say from the insinuations and pretended intimations of the brethren. * * * Bantering and baiting of candidates is all wrong. It injures the reputation of Masonry; it decreases our opportunity of service to the candidate; it reacts upon the thoughtless brother who utters the ill-timed jest; it lowers the moral tone of all concerned.

Concerning "Lodges, size of, etc.," our distinguished brother in a four page discourse manages to say some things requiring reflection. He says that the average membership for lodges of his own jurisdiction is 260, and above that of any other jurisdiction in the United States save the District of Columbia, which is 339, and that the average for the grand lodges of the United States is 124. He is of the opinion that—

It is a practically universal rule that the smaller the membership the larger the percentage of members attend the meetings. Elephantiasis is a disease equally injurious to an animal, a human or a lodge. * * * The tendency of great lodges is to lessen rather than to enhance the masonic development of each individual member. * * *

Seven pages of this address are covered by the grand master's deliverance concerning the George Washington Memorial, which project he enthusiastically indorses, and concludes by saying—

I trust that we shall take our active part by counsel and financial support, etc. * * *

Under the topic, "Past Grand Masters," it is said—

I have ventured, * * * to compile some such facts about all our deceased past grand masters and to assemble their portraits, when they have not heretofore appeared in our proceedings. * * *

Whereupon sixty-six pages of the address are covered by biographical sketches of no fewer than forty-seven past grand masters, noticeable among whom are Joseph Warren, Paul Revere, John Rowe, and Moses M. Hayes,

all of whose names are well known to the student of masonic history in America.

On report and recommendation of Brother Charles T. Gallagher, fraternal recognition was given to the Grand Lodge of Queensland.

The same brother at this meeting presented to the grand lodge photographic reproductions of the seal presented to John Paul Jones by the Queen of France, and of a miniature of this distinguished naval hero, copies of both of which appear in the proceedings. The presentation speech of five pages closes with a splendid panegyric on this patron saint of our navy.

At the quarterly held September 13, 1916, under the topic, "Masonic Burial," the grand master made some very timely and sensible remarks. Appended to his address on this occasion is a discourse on "Freemasonry in America Prior to 1750" which covers 223 pages. No adequate notion of this paper can be given in this report, but as a sort of supplement and antidote to the antiquarian dose given under South Carolina, in this report, the writer feels constrained to reproduce the grand master's conclusions. He says—

In the following respects Massachusetts is the senior masonic jurisdiction of America:

1. The first Freemason definitely known to be in the Western Hemisphere was Governor Jonathan Belcher of Massachusetts Bay Colony, in 1705.

2. The earliest use in America in writing or in print of the word "Freemason" so far as now known, was in the Boston News Letter for January 5, 1718.

3. The first lodge meetings in America of which we may speak with any definiteness were held in King's Chapel, Boston, in 1720.

4. The first known newspaper account relating to Freemasonry was published in Boston, May 25, 1727.

5. The first known Warrant, Deputation, Commission or other authority, issuing from the Grand Lodge of England, or its grand master to be exercised in America was that by virtue of which Henry Price founded a provincial grand lodge in Boston, July 30, 1733.

6. The first particular lodge in America to be duly constituted was the first lodge in Boston, July 30, 1733.

7. The first lodge in America to be registered by the Grand Lodge of England in the official list of lodges, was the first lodge in Boston.

8. The first masonic officer in the western world to have jurisdiction over the whole of North America was Henry Price, whose authority was extended thus broadly in August, 1734.

9. The first exercise by any masonic authority in America of the right to grant provincial masonic powers was the appointment of Benjamin Franklin as "Provincial Grand Master of the Province of Pennsylvania" February 21, 1734-5, by Henry Price, "Grand Master of His Majesty's dominions in North America.

10. The first independent grand lodge in America was Massachusetts Grand Lodge, which organized and declared its independence on March 8, 1777.

In these respects, therefore, he says—

Massachusetts is the senior masonic jurisdiction of America.

At the quarterly held December 13, 1916, under the topic, "Precedence of Grand Master," Brother Johnson, in his address delivered himself of some curious learning. He said—

Various questions of precedence arise in connection with the acceptance by the grand master of invitations to visit masonic bodies other than symbolic lodges. * * * It seems wise that there should be some pronouncement upon the matter for the sake of avoiding embarrassment on the part of those who do not appreciate or fully understand the etiquette of such occasions. Symbolic, (Blue Lodge) Masonry existed long before chapters, councils, commanderies, consistories or supreme councils were dreamed of. While the degrees conferred in these bodies are colloquially known as "higher" degrees, in reality they are nothing of the kind. They might more properly be called collateral or appendant. * * * There were masters and grand masters years before any one had invented or fabricated the ornamental, instructive, and honorary degrees conferred by bodies presided over in these later years by high priests, eminent and puissant commanders, etc. * * * While the grand lodge cannot govern the other bodies, it is nevertheless the supreme authority of the jurisdiction. Grand lodge recognition has been in the past, as it must be in the future the final test. * * * The grand master of Massachusetts cannot attend a lodge within this state while it is open on the first, second or third degree without being grand master, but it is possible that he could not attend a chapter, for instance, at all. * * * If he is entitled to enter these other bodies, it is by virtue of the practices of those bodies. * * *

After eleven pages of specious discussion, our learned brother summarizes by fixing four rules, two of which are to the effect that—

1. Within a particular lodge holding charter of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the grand master of this grand lodge is always such.

Which is of course true universally.

3. In any other body recognized by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts as masonic, and meeting within this commonwealth, the grand master may * * * attend in his official capacity and regalia of office, in which case he takes precedence of all present, etc. * * *

Our brother is a man of great learning and capacity, and no doubt correctly states the rule so far as Massachusetts is concerned, but many of us will not be impressed by the reasoning whereby he bolsters up his rule. He most correctly says that the grand master cannot get into any of these *Soi disant* masonic bodies except in accordance with the rules and laws of their making, and the same thing is true of every other member of the grand lodge, yet the grand lodge, in its organized capacity must recognize them as masonic and its members must of course know that they are so.

The solemn truth of the matter is that whatever is bounded and defined by the landmarks and ancient charges of a Freemason, is Masonry, and this Masonry knows no distinction save those of apprentice, fellow and master, and that neither lodges nor grand lodges erected upon the original plan can

recognize anything outside of this Masonry as masonic, without entering the domain of incongruity, inconsistency, absurdity and confusion. It is presumed that outside of Massachusetts, the grand master ranks as high in a lodge of Odd Fellows as he does in a commandery of Knights Templar, and no higher, and that if he enters either of these bodies, he does so conformably to the rules fixed by the body visited.

Under the head of "Lodge Numbers," the grand master gives a two page explanation of why the lodges of Massachusetts are not given a number, the substance of which is that the present grand lodge was formed by the union of two grand lodges (1792), one founded by Joseph Warren, styled "Massachusetts Grand Lodge," and one by Henry Price, styled "St. John's Grand Lodge"; and that all the lodges comprising the new body were tenacious for the retention of the numbers they bore before the union. For the sake of harmonizing the matter of the conflicting numbers, rather than decide which lodge should take precedence, the grand lodge abolished numbers altogether, as a part of the name and style of lodges.

The matter of giving information by secretaries of lodges, and members of committees in other bodies, concerning the masonic standing of members of lodges seeking to become members of such other bodies, attracted the attention of the grand master, and he deemed the matter of such consequence that he referred it to a committee, the findings of which he approved. The conclusions are as follows—

1. If the brother's report so far as masonic standing is concerned, states merely the fact as to whether the petitioner is affiliated with a masonic lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the brother so reporting has committed no masonic offense.

2. If said brother in his said report discloses or tends to disclose the private affairs of a masonic lodge under the jurisdiction of said grand lodge, he commits a masonic offense.

Eight pages of the address are covered by the grand master's account of his ceremonial visits to the lodges under his obedience, as well as to other bodies both in Massachusetts and abroad. More than fifty lodges were visited.

The annual election was held at this meeting, which resulted in the election of Brother Leon Martin Abbott, as grand master and the re-election of Brother Frederick W. Hamilton as grand secretary.

The statistical tables show the collection during the year on account of the General Fund of the sum of $33,309.47 of which $22,540.00 was dues and fees from lodges, and the balance was derived from divers other sources. It also appears that the sum of $26,443.94 was collected from divers sources for the maintenance of the home. It appears that there were at the home at date of the report 51 residents, and that the *per capita* cost of maintenance for the past year was $385.91.

The matter of the application for fraternal recognition of the Grand Lodge of Panama was considered at the stated meeting of December 27, 1916, and after treatment covering seven pages of the proceedings, the grand master announced that it would be referred to a committee. From the statements supporting this application it appears that every one of the six lodges contributing to the formation of this grand body are of so-called "Scottish Rite" origin, having been chartered by Venezuela, and the lodges of Venezuela by the grand orient of Spain. One lodge has been chartered, since the new grand body to work in the "English tongue." Since the publication of the printed proceedings, on January 30, 1917, a treaty was agreed upon between this grand body represented by its grand master, and the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, represented by Brother Melvin M. Johnson, past grand master, which has since, apparently been ratified by both grand bodies. Of the stipulations in this treaty the first provides that—

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts recognizes the said Grand Lodge of Panama as a sovereign grand lodge, having exclusive, full and final jurisdiction in and over symbolic Freemasonry, * * * throughout the Republic of Panama, *except the Canal Zone.* * * *

The second article provides that—

The said Grand Lodge of Panama, * * * acknowledges and grants to the said Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in perpetuity, exclusive masonic jurisdiction and control of such symbolic Freemasonry, * * * in the Canal Zone. * * *

At this meeting the grand lodge officers elect were installed, whereupon the grand lodge was called from labor to refreshment, the Grand Feast was celebrated, and the usual toasts honored. The retiring grand master was presented with a grandfather's clock by the members of the official family, in a feeling address by one of the donors. The gift was accepted and the address responded to by Brother Johnson, in fitting style.

At the close of the dinner, the grand master assumed his position as toast-master, delivered a felicitous address, whereupon the following brethren were, in order called upon, and delivered addresses, namely; John Lloyd Thomas, of New York; Rev. Arthur J. Derbyshire, Mass.; (newly appointed grand chaplain); Griffith B. Jones of Buenos Aires, (Ayres) Argentine; and ex-Governor John L. Bates. No adequate idea can be given here of the oratory, though all the addresses are printed in full. All of them were appropriate, timely, felicitous, and inspiring.

Following the "Feast" the grand lodge was again called to labor, and closed in ample form.

There are printed in the volume four learned lectures by Brother Roscoe Pound, L.L.D., entitled, respectively, "Masonic Jurisprudence," "The Landmarks," "Masonic Common Law," and "Masonic Law Making";

also an interesting lecture by Brother R. Perry Bush, D.D., entitled, "The Ancient Mysteries."

There is no report on foreign correspondence.

The writer is uncomfortably conscious that this review is too long, yet it is only fair to state that many interesting matters are omitted which had been marked for treatment.

In passing up, or laying aside the volume of proceedings of this *Grand Old* grand lodge, with all of the singularities and angularities therein appearing, it is but simple justice to observe that this grand lodge is singular in the respect that its leading spirits, now in control and charge are characterized by the highest measure of culture, erudition and intellectual capacity, perhaps, of any grand lodge on earth. Indeed one may well say, with John Bunyan's "Christian," when he resumed his journey after his visit to the "Interpreter's House"; "Here I have seen things rare and profitable," etc. * * *

Brother Leon M. Abbott, Grand Master, Brookline; Brother Frederick W. Hamilton, Grand Secretary, Cambridge.

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## MICHIGAN—1917

439 Lodges 73rd Annual 86,993 Members

The book of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by a full page picture of the grand master, Brother Louis H. Fead, as the frontispiece; a group picture of eleven members of his official family on the unnumbered page opposite; further along, in the volume are pictures of Brethren John H. Hawks, retiring grand master, and Past Grand Masters Lucien E. Wood, Abraham T. Metcalf and James H. Farnum, all three deceased. Excellent cuts of four temples also appear, located, respectively, at Monroe, Highland Park, East Lansing and Grand Haven.

The annual communication was held at Lansing, May 22, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over by Brother John H. Hawks, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Lending dignity to the assemblage, all the living past grand masters, in all seventeen of them, were in attendance and the representatives of fifty-four "Sister" grand jurisdictions were in the diplomatic circle, Brother Arthur M. Hume, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

It appears that following the opening the grand lodge indulged in a regular orgie of oratory, being regaled, first by addresses of welcome by the Mayor of Lansing, and the Governor of Michigan.

Next came an address by Ralph H. Wheeler, grand master of Illinois, and last, though not least, Past Grand Master (Michigan) Oliver Spaulding. All of these addresses are printed in the proceedings, and as a matter of course, all are worthy of the place. In expressing his appreciation of Brother Wheeler's address the grand master said—

I assure you Most Worshipful Brother, that your kind words have been appreciated. The advice and counsel you have given to us will be taken into the hearts of the representatives of this grand lodge. And let me suggest to you, brethren of the grand lodge that Most Worshipful Brother Wheeler has given to you food for thought, which I believe you can take back to your own lodges and put into operation.

The grand master's address fills thirty-six pages, and naturally enough the opening deals with the war, and conditions incident thereto. Quite appropriately he says, in part—

When last we met we viewed the war through the eyes of a neutral; today we see it as a belligerent. Then while grieving at the awful spectacle, we hoped to avoid allegiance with it, but our hopes seem to have been in vain. Grave apprehension then, has given place to graver facts now. We are at war. Our President says "The supreme test has come. * * * Brethren, we must not underestimate the crisis, the imminent and overmastering peril, when the principles for which our fathers died are menaced by the calculating and remorseless use of every destructive weapon that the genius of man has devised. What then can be the dominant thought of the hour but war? what our dearest hope but peace,—a speedy, righteous permanent peace, that shall guarantee to us and to our brother man every where, the glorious blessing of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, etc. * * *

The grand master announced the decease during the year of three past grand masters, namely Brethren Lucien E. Wood, Abraham T. Metcalf and John H. Farnum. Among the illustrious dead of other grand jurisdictions the name of Brother Albert B. Ashley, past grand master of Illinois, was mentioned.

The grand master reported the constituting of three lodges, the dedicating of four temples and nine halls, and the laying of four corner stones. He reported that being unable to attend the meeting of the Washington Memorial Association at Alexandria, Va., he had appointed Brother James E. Dillon, past grand master, who had attended the same, as his proxy.

Concerning the "Chain Letter," the grand master said—

A masonic prayer chain letter is now being widely circulated. I believe when prayer is offered to the Deity it should come from the heart, rather than from the suggestion that some calamity is about to befall you, etc. * * *

Report is made of the issuing of forty-four special dispensations to enable lodges to hold meetings, or confer degrees out of time, or for like purposes.

The conclusion of the address is pitched to a high key, as evidence, the following—

We may be certain that the future contains greater possibilities and opportunities than we have dreamed of or accomplished in the past. * * * We must seek to secure a truer conception of our masonic obligations and push the battle of progress and civilization at every point, realizing that the words of the poet constitute our only and real guide for present action.

> My struggling soul may never gain the prize it covets so,
> It may not reach the gates of paradise at sunset's glow,
> But I have faith that in the shadows blue at set of sun,
> I shall be judged by what I've tried to do, not what I've done.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $59,006.05, of which $33,305.60 was *per capita* dues, on account of the Home Fund; $16,652.80 as *per capita* dues on account of the General Fund, and the balance was derived from divers other sources. The same report shows a net gain in membership for the year of 4,442.

From the report of the Board of Control of the home it appears that the membership at the home on May 1, 1917, was 83, or 46 men and 37 women.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Lodges it was ordered that four new lodges be granted charters, that one be continued under dispensation, and that a dispensation be issued for the formation of one new lodge.

In the evening of the first day of the session a meeting was held, for the purpose of celebrating the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Grand Lodge of England. Appropriate addresses were delivered by Brethren Louis H. Fead, deputy grand master, and C. E. Holmes.

From the address of Brother Fead, the following must be excerpted—

When we turn to the American Revolution we have some difficulty in restraining our pride. * * * We pay full honor to Catholic, Calvinist and Quaker, and render full homage to all who suffered that we might be free. But as we read the story of those days, there comes to us a vision of Masons and of Masonry. We see the Mason, Ethan Allen wresting from the British at Ticonderoga, the cannon and powder with which the Masons Warren and Putnam and John Stark defended Bunker Hill. We see Paul Revere, afterwards grand master, making his midnight ride to alarm the minute men of Lexington and Concord. We see the Continental Congress assembled with Peyton Randolph, grand master of Virginia, as its first and with John Hancock, sometime grand master,

as its second president. We see a lodge of Masons, disguised as Indians, throw into Boston Harbor the tea they would not pay the tax upon. We see the Continental Congress appoint a committee of five, four of whom were Masons, who drafted the most unique document in the political history of the world, masonic in its every word, the charter of humanity's liberty, the Declaration of Independence. We see that document signed by men, more than half of whom were Masons. We hear the Liberty Bell, rung by a Mason, peal forth the glad news to a patriotic people. We see counsels of war held by American Generals in masonic lodges tiled for business. We see the Mason, John Paul Jones, the hero of the seas, who made the flag of America respectable among the flags of other nations.

We hear Nathan Hale, the Mason, regretting on the gallows that he had only one life to give for his country. We walk with Benjamin Franklin, grand master, the kindliest of philosophers, the unmatched diplomat, the courageous statesman. We express our gratitude to that noble company of Masons whose hearts beat for the liberty of the world. Lafayette, Rochambeau and De Grasse, the gallant Frenchmen; Stuben the stalwart German and Kosciusko, the heroic Pole. And with hearts proud and heads lifted, we see the great American, the luster of whose imperishable fame it would be useless with words to even attempt to dim or brighten, the soldier, statesman, Mason and man, *Washington*, etc. * * *

The matter of displaying the flag in lodges was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and upon its report and recommendation the following was adopted—

Every lodge shall display the flag of the United States in the lodge room during all sessions of the lodge. The flag shall be suspended on a standard at the altar at the south side thereof.

Brother Louis H. Fead was elected grand master, and Brother Lou B. Winsor was re-elected grand secretary.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence the grand master was authorized to appoint a committee to revise the "Blue Book." The grand secretary, was on motion, instructed to telegraph the President of the United States, as follows—

The representatives of 90,000 Free and Accepted Masons of the state of Michigan, in grand lodge assembled, pledge the loyal support of the order to you in this period of preparation for the mighty struggle now facing the nation.

The retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's jewel, and a past grand master's apron, and as tending to show that they must be elegant and elaborate, and that the recipient of these evidences of esteem was greatly pleased, he said—

I really believe that this new apron looks better than the one that I have just laid aside; and this jewel of pure gold rather outclasses the jewel of the grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence is again by Brother Lou B. Winsor, grand secretary, and past grand master, and it fills 302 pages with excellent reading. In fact the review is so well arranged as to cause one to wonder what the brother would do if his grand lodge should remove the "gag" and give him the rein. (See review of Mich. 1916.)

Illinois for 1916, is by him reviewed in gracious and graceful style. He is apparently impressed with the group pictures of our children; with our flag ceremony, and with Brother Owen Scott's speech expressing appreciation of our music at the opening of grand lodge. He quoted in full the exordium to Brother Wheeler's annual report; also what is in the report said concerning "The Flag." He re-produces in full what is said as to the mode of getting a name changed on the books of a lodge, and the steps taken for the revision of, and securing the copyright for the monitor. He re-produced the speech of Brother L. A. Goddard, past grand master, in presenting Brother Monroe C. Crawford to grand lodge as the dean of the past grand masters in Illinois, and the remarks of Brother Crawford in response thereto. He noted the visit of the children to the grand lodge, while at ease, and says—

The grand master presented superintendent and matron, and the members of the board of managers of the homes, to the members of the grand lodge. The children rendered a short program and retired from the platform, amid the tears and applause of the brethren.

Of the oration, he says—

Brother Oscar A. Kropf, their eloquent grand orator, delivered an oration in keeping with his distinguished talents, which is published in full in the proceedings. * * *

The brother is pleased to mention in complimentary terms the review for 1916, and while we cannot afford to reproduce his language it is proper to give assurance of our deepest appreciation and gratitude. He is pleased to re-produce what is said in the review of Michigan, (1916) under the head of "Side issues."

The next Annual will be held at Grand Rapids, May 28, 1918.

Brother Louis H. Fead, Grand Master, Newberry; Brother Lou B. Winsor, Grand Secretary, Reed City.

## MINNESOTA—1917

264 Lodges 64th Annual 33,766 Members

A fine likeness of the grand master, Rev. Alfred G. Pinkham, adorns the fly-leaf of the proceedings of this grand lodge, and elsewhere in the volume appear the pictures of Brethren Alonzo James Burningham, assistant grand secretary of the Masonic Veteran Association, and Samuel Cook Edsall, bishop (Episcopal) of Minnesota. The annual meeting was held at St. Paul, commencing January 17, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. The assemblage was dignified by the presence of eighteen past grand masters, and the representatives of forty foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother A. T. Stebbins, the envoy from Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address fills twenty-seven pages of the proceedings, and is a fair recital of his official acts, together with his views on several subjects deemed important.

Under the topic, "Necrology," he reports the passing of 378 of their members during the year, but that the line of grand lodge officers remained intact, for which said he: "We render heartfelt thanks to God." Elsewhere appropriate mention is made of the passing of Brethren William H. Scott and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois.

He reported his attendance upon the meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association at Alexandria, Va., in February, last, and recommended that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota take at least five hundred dollars' worth of stock in this enterprise, becoming almost as enthusiastic over the matter as Brother Thomas J. Shryock himself. The grand master reported the constituting of four new lodges, and the granting of four dispensations to form new lodges. The laying of six corner stones was reported, and the dedication of one masonic temple was mentioned. Nine special dispensations were reported, most of them to permit the election or installation of lodge officers at times other than as provided by their by-laws.

Six decisions were reported by the grand master, all of them being merely constructions of different provisions of their laws, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge. No. 6, is interesting,—though not at all novel,—because the grand master is himself a clergyman. It is as follows—

In initiating a clergyman is it legal to remit the fees, or is it optional with the lodge?

The grand master decided—

No. The code requires actual money to be paid.

Under the topic "Cipher" the grand master reported that during the year he had received information that the venders of ciphers were extensively advertising their productions in Minnesota, whereupon he issued a circular cautioning the members of the lodges under his obedience to have nothing to do with this spurious traffic, saying—

The Masonic Code of Minnesota strictly prohibits the printing, publishing, purchasing or selling of any such work. The craft is hereby cautioned against the purchase or use of any such "Cipher," particularly the one published by ..... who, we are reliably informed, has no masonic standing. * * *

How could any vender of a cipher have a masonic standing? It would appear that any man who has assumed the obligations of an entered apprentice, and thereafter utters, prints or publishes a cipher thereby makes himself a renegade; the one who purchases, uses or has in his possession such cipher differs from him only in degree, and the one who would wink at it, or favor the farce of legalizing the cipher, is headed squarely in the same direction. If this is not the correct view, human language is meaningless. At a previous meeting of the grand lodge it had been resolved to commence the actual construction of a masonic home whenever the fund in process of accumulation for that purpose should amount to $100,000.00 Concerning this the grand master said—

I had hoped that during my administration as grand master the fund would have been completed, and I might have had the pleasure and satisfaction of laying the corner stone of the home, but again I have been convinced of the truth that "man proposes but God disposes." Moreover, the confidence I have entertained in the generosity of our lodges and members of the craft in general has been sadly shaken. If there had been a contribution equivalent to one dollar per member the building would have been now well under construction. A little less money selfishly expended in banquets, smokers and vaudeville notions by brothers, lodges and bodies claiming connection with Ancient Craft Masonry, and given instead to the masonic home it would long since have resulted in what we so ardently hope and pray for.

The fund then in hand for the construction of the home aggregates the sum of $67,000.00, besides $20,000.00 which the Order of the Eastern Star has on hand ready to contribute for the purpose.

Under the topic, "Schools of Instruction," the grand master reported that pursuant to his order a school had been held at Hawley, under the direction of Brother W. R. Smith, and reports the attendance as too small to be considered satisfactory, and says that the lecturer recommended that hereafter a school be held in St. Paul, immediately prior to the annual meeting of the grand lodge.

The distinguished brother's conclusion is characterized by words so timely as to be worthy of careful study. He says, in part—

That Masonry may advance is my ardent aspiration; that its pure principles of brotherly love, relief and truth may spread abroad to the utmost

extent commensurate with the blessings such principles must produce, every lover of the craft must desire; but it is very questionable in my mind whether rapid increase of membership is tending to these ends. * * * It is not desirable that all men should be Masons. * * * The best Mason is he to whom the obligation is most intelligently and instructively given. Many of the jurisdictions around us, and some of them the largest, allow only one candidate to be obligated at one time. The Ancient Landmarks had only one in mind. So, too, our own Minnesota work. Moreover every candidate is entitled to have the whole work exemplified upon himself alone. It has been said that lodges paying high rents must have candidates in order to meet their expenses. Is not this to commercialize the craft, and cheapen it in the eyes of the world? * * * I recommend that study clubs be organized in every lodge for the awakening and development of more interest in the fundamental principles and deep meaning of our forms and ceremonies. * * *

Our good brother animadverts against one of the bodies of what the late Brother Joseph Robbins called "pseudo Masonry," but as this writer has no disposition to discriminate among those bodies his remarks are omitted. It is sufficient to express the opinion that the notions of "Collective work," printed or cipher rituals, loose notions concerning regularity, ritual tinkering, and every other heresy, having the tendency to cheapen Masonry, have as their origin and inspiration some of those bodies.

The suggestion made by him that the time has arrived when the question is presented "Whether we have not just cause for divorce," can hardly be subscribed to, for the reason that where Masonry has attended strictly to the affairs of Masonry, and has refrained from recognizing or meddling with everything outside of Masonry there has not even been a "Common Law" relation between it and any other body, let alone a legal or formal marriage.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of $25,548.34 of which $19,766.70 was derived from fees and dues from lodges, and the balance from divers other sources. The same report shows a gain in membership of 1,752.

The "Past Master's degree" was again brought into the limelight, and a special committee recommended the repeal, or "elimination" of that section of their code, requiring that it be conferred upon masters elect, saying that—

This degree, if it be such, does not materially aid in the discharge of the duties pertaining to the office of master of a lodge. It savors of redundancy, being in a measure set forth in the ceremonies of installation.

This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, where it was pointed out that the recommendation could not be concurred in at this session, for the reason that the constitutional notice for an amendment of the code had not been given.

The grand master's earnest plea for the home evidently bore fruit, as during the session a resolution was adopted empowering the trustees to proceed to acquire, either by gift or purchase, a suitable site, and to at once commence the erection of proper buildings for a masonic home. One of the "whereases" recited that more than the required $100,000.00 was already in hand, or available for the purpose.

The annual oration was delivered before the grand lodge by Brother John Boden, grand orator, his theme being "Masonic Realities." It is printed in full in the proceedings, and is very good reading.

Brother Albert Berg was elected grand master, and Brother John Fishel was re-elected grand secretary.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Lodges four new lodges were granted charters, and one was continued under dispensation.

The grand lodge appropriated $500.00 for the Washington Memorial Association, to be paid in five equal installments.

There is printed in the proceedings an oration of great merit delivered by the grand orator on the occasion of the laying of the corner stone of the new masonic temple at Rochester, his subject being "Masonic Witness And Service."

Fifty pages of the proceedings are filled with a report of the Masonic Veterans' Association. It is highly interesting, and is characterized by some entertaining and instructive addresses.

There is a brief review of the proceedings of other grand lodges, signed by Brother Irving Todd, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. His notice of the Proceedings of Illinois (1916), is both cordial and fraternal. Concerning Brother Wheeler's annual report he says—

The address was an able presentation of a year's business in this large jurisdiction without frills or unnecessary elaborations.

Of the annual oration he says—

A readable address was delivered by Brother O. A. Kropf, grand orator.

He takes note of the action of the grand lodge in the matter of the suggestion from the Grand Lodge of Cuba, for a general conference; in the matter of the protest against the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands; in the matter of revising the monitor, and the reception in grand lodge of our children at La Grange.

This writer is too modest to reproduce what he says concerning the report on correspondence, but not too indifferent to express appreciation of his good opinion.

The next Annual will be held at St. Paul January 16, 1918.

Brother ALBERT BERG, Grand Master, St. Paul; Brother JOHN FISHEL, Grand Secretary, St. Paul.

## MISSISSIPPI—1917

378 Lodges 99th Annual 20,467 Members

The volume containing the printed proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, is embellished by full page likenesses of Brethren G. Frederic Cullens, grand master; W. C. Boyd, deceased, and Frank Hillerman, deceased. The annual meeting was held at Jackson, commencing on February 13, 1917. Preliminary to the opening a public reception was held, at which after prayer, and a musical programme, addresses of welcome were delivered to the grand lodge by Brother W. A. Scott, mayor of the city, on behalf of the city, by Brother O. B. Taylor, on behalf of the Masons of the city, and by Mrs. Bertha M. Scales, W. G. M., on behalf of the Order of the Eastern Star. The last named speaker concluded her happily worded deliverance by presenting the grand lodge with a flag, saying—

Realizing that you too teach love of home, of God and of native land, I wish to present the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Mississippi this emblem of red, white and blue, the red for courage and fervency, the white for purity and the blue of fidelity. This flag was woven from the products of the delta's broad cotton fields, mounted on a staff of cedar grown upon Oktibbeha's clay hills and turned into symmetry and beauty by students of our beloved Agricultural and Mechanical College.

The grand master accepted the flag, in a felicitous speech, of course, the Star Spangled Banner was sung, the band played Dixie, and every member of the grand lodge arose, applauding, etc.

On an unnumbered page following the account of this most interesting but for the South not unusual scene, is the counterfeit presentment of the flag, which certainly is a beautiful page, so that it is not easy to decide which is the more inspiring, the account of the felicitous music and oratory, or the picture of "Old Glory."

After the conclusion of these exercises the grand lodge was opened in ample form by the grand master, Brother George Boyd Power, all the other grand lodge officers being in their stations. Fourteen past grand masters added dignity to the assemblage, and the representatives of thirty-five foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother John S. Brooks, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address fills thirty-five pages of the proceedings and gives an account of his official activities during the year. Under the topic, "In Memoriam," he announces the death of several brethren of local prominence, and among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions mention is made of Brethren William H. Scott and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois.

Under the topic, "Financial," the grand master recommended that "we be a bit more economical in our expenditures; our expenses are a bit heavy for our income." After showing that the grand lodge is paying about a thousand dollars annually for interest, he recommended a reduction in mileage allowed representatives, and an increase in the per capita tax of twenty-five cents per member.

Under the topic, "Lecturing Corps," the grand master took occasion to commend the work of the grand lecturers and deputies, and said—

Most of the schools were successful during the year, etc.* * *

He recommended, however, a reduction of the number of the deputies from thirty to twenty-four.

Concerning the masonic home the grand master took occasion to commend the management of the home for the work being done there, and said—

Here we are building in the hearts and character of men and women, and we may be building better than we know. * * *

Two pages of the address are filled with an account of the grand master's ceremonial visits to the lodges of his obedience, which concludes as follows—

Other visits during the year, both formal and informal, have combined to make this part of my administration most pleasurable.

The grand master reported the laying of two corner stones, one in person and one by proxy, and that in two cases he had declined to lay corner stones for the reason that the work on the buildings had progressed so far that the corner stone could only have been shoved into place, and not laid at all.

Dispensations were issued by the grand master for the formation of two new lodges, and several applications for such dispensations were denied. Six new lodges were constituted,—all by proxy.

The grand master is apparently out of patience with their law of perpetual jurisdiction. He said—

I urge upon the grand lodge the abolition of the perpetual jurisdiction rule, and when I do this I fully realize that I am suggesting a departure from a time honored custom, etc. * * *We are surrounded by grand jurisdictions that do not recognize this perpetual rule. * * * A rejected petitioner so long as he remains in Mississippi can never petition any other lodge than the one which rejected him, but he can cross the state line, the ban is removed and he can petition a lodge in another state.

This part of the address being referred to the Committee on Law and Jurisprudence, it was recommended that said committee be given till the next annual meeting to consider the matter of the change recommended by the grand master,—which was done.

The grand master recommended a change in the by-laws providing that one ballot shall elect to the three degrees, instead of balloting for each degree. The same committee reported adversely, and the law continues as heretofore.

The grand master reported his attendance at the meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association at Alexandria, Va., and said—

I am glad that the Grand Lodge of Mississippi holds membership in this association.

Twenty-five decisions were reported by the grand master, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge, save one which was modified. Three of them related to physical qualifications of candidates for degrees, and were all decidedly correctly, (perhaps). In one of the three it was decided that a man with one cork foot is ineligible; in another case it was decided that a one-armed man was ineligible, while in another case it was decided that a man with parts of two fingers missing is eligible for the degrees. The decision modified by the committee and the grand lodge presents rather a remarkable, not to say rotten, state of facts, and is as follows—

No. 11, A B applied for membership on a demit, and was ballotted on. C, D and E claim to have blackballed him, but he was declared elected by the officers. Later we find that one of the officers says there were black balls in the box. What shall we do? A. If C, D and E were present at the meeting and state that they cast black balls, and one of the officers states that there were black balls in the box then in my opinion the petitioner was not elected; but as your minutes show he was elected, the matter should be brought up at your next communication and investigated fully. * * *

In the report of the committee which was approved by the grand lodge it is said that—

Decision No. 11 should be amended so as to confine the investigation suggested to the conduct of the officers of the lodge, and that if the lodge finds that the officers knowingly stated there were no black balls in the ballot box when in fact there were, charges should be preferred against them. As to the petitioner, your committee is of the opinion that when he is declared elected and the lodge closed, the matter cannot be gone into at a subsequent meeting.

The following is deemed to be unique in the annals of masonic jurisprudence—

No. 2. How many windows should there be in the north side of the lodge building?

With Solomonic wisdom and erudition the grand master decided that—

The number of windows to be placed on the north side of your lodge should depend altogether on your need of light and ventilation.

Ten applications for special dispensation were granted, and six were denied.

From the figures of the grand secretary's report it appears that he collected during the year on account of the General Fund $14,710.01; on ac-

count of the home fund, $20,442.84 and from other sources, $1,474.00. The table of returns shows a net gain in membership of 133.

From the report of the superintendent of the home it appears that on January 1, 1916, there were at the home one hundred nineteen children; that during the year thirteen were received and three withdrawn, and that the average number for the year was one hundred twenty-four. It further appears that the average cost of keeping is $12.42 per month for each child in the home.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Subordinate Lodges, it was ordered that charters be granted to two new lodges.

Brother G. Frederic Cullens was elected grand master, and Brother Frederic Gordon Speed was re-elected grand secretary.

The recommendation of the grand master that the number of deputy grand lecturers be reduced was referred to a special committee which reported adversely, finding it more expedient—

To retain the same number of district deputy grand lecturers until there is a complete uniformity of the work throughout this jurisdiction, and a larger body of Masons who are * * * proficient in all parts of the work.

In the grand master's address mention was made of the "Chain prayer" fad, which was also referred to a special committee, which approved of the grand master's suggestion, its report concluding as follows—

We therefore heartily commend the suggestion of the grand master that whenever a chain prayer reaches you, bearing its appeal to superstition, you stamp it with masonic disapproval, and consign it to the waste-paper basket; in other words toss it into the rubbish.

The report on foreign correspondence is from the pen of Brother Henry C. Yawn, past grand master, and consists of seventy-four pages of readable matter. Two of his pages are devoted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois, for 1915, and his treatment is considerate and fraternal. In his mention of the grand master he says—

The pleasant and handsome countenance of Brother Burnap greets you as you open the proceedings.

Whereupon he quotes from what is in the grand master's report said concerning concerted action for the promotion of universal peace. He reproduces, also, the poetry made use of by the grand master in the conclusion to his address.

Concerning the review, he says:

Brother Owen Scott, foreign correspondent, passes on the doings of each grand jurisdiction. With clear vision he sees and with facile pen writes those things which are of importance to the craft of his grand lodge.

The next annual meeting will be held at Natchez, February 19, 1918.

Brother G. Frederic Cullens, Grand Master, Wallerville; Brother Frederic Gordon Speed, Grand Secretary, Vicksburg.

## MISSOURI—1916

644 Lodges 96th Annual 66,853 Members

The book of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by the photograph of Brother Frank Russell Jesse, retiring grand master, on the fly-leaf, and at the head of the report on foreign correspondence appears the counterfeit presentment of Rev. Brother C. C. Woods, past grand master, and at present, committee on correspondence. Elsewhere in the volume is a full page portrait of Brother William M. Williams, past grand master, deceased.

The annual meeting was held in St. Louis, commencing September 19, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form and presided over by Brother Frank R. Jesse, grand master, all the other grand lodge officers being in their respective stations.

Just prior to opening, the occasion was enlivened by a fine musical programme rendered by the Moolah Orchestra, in conjunction with the children from the masonic home, which, judging from the commendation of the grand master, must have been highly entertaining.

Nineteen past grand masters lent dignity to the occasion, the diplomatic circle did not appear in evidence.

The grand master's address fills twenty-two pages, and is a carefully prepared account of his official acts and doings, and gives evidence of a laborious year of service. With appropriate expressions of sorrow and deprivation, he announced the death during the year of Brother Alphonso Chase Stewart, grand treasurer. Announcement is made, also, of the death of Brother William M. Williams, past grand master, whose death occurred the day previous to the assembling of the grand lodge. Of him, the grand master said—

He had made all preparation to attend this grand lodge, a body that he had attended for many years—since long before I ever became a Freemason, I know. He was one of the truest members we have ever known, and one of the greatest and best of this grand body.

Under the topic, "Condition of the Craft," the grand master said—

Notwithstanding the great conflict raging on every side, which will not only set back the hands of progress, but retard almost every institution that stands for moral uplift, yet in our jurisdiction Freemasonry has prospered as never before. The returns made to the grand secretary show that during the last masonic year 4,662 have been raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason—the greatest number in our history. Brethren, have you thought of the responsibility which is placed upon us by this number of newly made Masons in the state? We owe much more time and consideration to those within the lodge than to those without. * * * Shall we help them grow in

masonic stature, or let them grow into masonic dwarfs? Shall we help them interpret the meaning of the interesting symbols and beautiful allegories, or shall we leave them to grope in masonic darkness? Let us in deed and in truth remove the hoodwink.

The importance of these appropriate and timely suggestions cannot be too strongly emphasized.

Concerning "Fraternal relations," the grand master reported—

Our relations with other grand jurisdictions continue to be all that could be desired. * * * The only discordant note in our relations arises from jurisdictions which claim perpetual jurisdiction, and this claim is so much at variance with our civil, religious and social customs that it must soon be abandoned.

The brother becomes truly eloquent in reporting the condition of the masonic home, which appears to be in good condition, and through which a great work is being accomplished by our Missouri brethren. *Inter alia* he says—

Out on Delmar Avenue in this city the Freemasons of Missouri have erected a monument to that masonic virtue which, next to a belief in Deity, lies at the foundation of Masonry. It is the masonic home. In this splendid building and equipment we have a concrete manifestation of that truly masonic virtue, charity, without which our beloved institution could have never survived the shock of the ages. The very genius of Freemasonry is love, the spirit of which not only unites its members in an unbroken phalanx as a band of brothers, but overflows those bounds and expands into a stream of charity for all mankind. In this home, brethren, we have the manifestation of our love and charity for the orphan children of our brethren, and for those of our fraternity who are aged and afflicted. * * *

Elsewhere in the proceedings it appears that the aggregate cost of maintenance during the past year was $75,713.66, and that the number of members was: men, 85; women, 77; boys, 42, and girls, 54. The permanent endowment fund of the home was during the session increased by gifts from Past Grand Masters, Arthur M. Hough and Jacob Lampert, in the sum of $5,000.00 each.

If the grand master's oratory induced this liberality, it was surely worth while.

The grand master reported the arrest of two charters for cause. Twenty decisions were reported by the grand master, none of them of great consequence, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence except three, which were modified. In No. 1, the grand master decided, in effect, that a Master Mason, in order to be eligible as a petitioner for membership, must have been a resident of Missouri for a period of one year, and the committee recommended that this be so modified as to hold that the petitioner must at date of petition be a resident of Missouri, but not, necessarily for the space of a full year. In most grand jurisdictions the rules as

to residence, applicable to petitioners for the degrees, do not apply to Master Masons applying for affiliation.

In Nos. 10 and 11 the grand master decided that a master elect might immediately make appointments, and that such appointees might enter upon their duties. The committee dissented, inclining to the view that such appointment could not be lawfully made by such master prior to his installation. The grand lodge sustained the committee.

As tending to indicate whereunto "Barleycorn" legislation leads, the following is interesting—

No. 16. Question: Is one who is engaged in the manufacture of Weiss beer containing 2 per cent alcohol eligible to petition for the degrees? Weiss beer is not considered an intoxicating liquor.

Answer: No. Ten drinks of beer containing 2 per cent of alcohol is just as intoxicating as one drink of whiskey containing 20 per cent of alcohol, and makes you feel a great deal worse.

As to the first part of this decision we apprehend that the grand master arrived at his conclusion by arithmetical rule and that it is mathematically correct. As to that part of his decision which solemnly determines that: "It makes you feel a great deal worse," we are at a loss to conjecture the *data* from which it was deduced. This decision, however, in its entirety, passed muster with the committee and the grand lodge, and must be considered law in Missouri.

Under the topic, "Border Legislation," the grand master said—

The question of border legislation, like "Banquo's Ghost," will not down. We are bombarded from every side, and with every sort of weapon, from the small bore rifle of the worshipful master of a subordinate lodge, to the combined heavy artillery of the several grand masters. The grand masters of Tennessee, Kentucky and Iowa have given us a broadside during the last year, while the worshipful masters of the surrounding states have been very busy with their light artillery. As you all know we have no extra territorial jurisdictions, etc. * * *

This portion of the address was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence which wisely recommended, in effect, that the matter of border legislation be let alone. The recommendation was concurred in by the grand lodge.

The grand master reported the issuance of nine dispensations to form new lodges; the laying of eighteen corner stones, three in person and fifteen by proxy; the dedication of five new halls; the granting of permission to remove place of meeting to six lodges and the official visitation of eighty lodges. Among the lodges visited he specially mentions the following—

On May 30th, Decoration Day, as the guest of Magnolia Lodge No. 626 of St. Louis, I attended a masonic field day of ritualism, in honor of the traveling silver trowel, held with Stephen Decatur Lodge No. 979 of De-

catur, Ill., and witnessed the third degree conferred by the brethren from Missouri, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky. It was a joyous occasion, as well as inspiring, etc.* * *

The grand master reported his attendance at the meeting of the Washington Memorial Association at Alexandria, Va., and gave a fine sample of his eloquence in commendation of this project.

The grand master reported the following—

I have given consent to nine lodges to borrow money. * * * There is no provision in our law requiring the lodge borrowing money to notify the grand master. I think lodges borrowing money should be required to notify the grand master when the loan is made.

This part of the address was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which took the same view of the matter as the grand master, and recommended an amendment to the by-laws, as follows—

A lodge shall not be permitted to contract debts for any purpose or to engage in enterprises for building halls without the consent and approval of the grand master.

This appears to an outsider as a fine exemplification of how not to do it, and as an unwarranted infringement of the rights and prerogatives of lodges, besides complicating the duties and increasing the labors and responsibilities of the grand master's office. The notion that a lodge is incompetent to manage its own business is repugnant to the dignity of Masonry, and a reflection on its membership. However, this is the concern of the brethren of Missouri.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $119,332.05, of which the sum of $116,249.75 was dues collected from lodges, five-sevenths of which, by their law, was appropriated to the home fund. The table of returns shows a net gain in membership during the year of 2,887.

Missouri has apparently solved the problem of what to do with permanent members, as the report on grand master's address is signed by twenty-one past grand masters.

The tedium of the session was relieved by two orations, one by Brother Karl M. Vetsburg, grand orator, and one by Brother George F. Rixey, also grand orator. Both orations appear in the printed proceedings, and merit careful perusal.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Lodges under Dispensation, eight lodges were granted charters, and one continued under dispensation.

Brother Edward Higbee was elected grand master, and Brother John R. Parson was re-elected grand secretary.

The following "Standing Resolution" was adopted—

Whereas; It is a practice in some parts of this grand jurisdiction for a lodge to divide itself into several lodges, with as many masters and sets of officers as necessary, and thus confer the same degree, or parts of a degree, or one of the three degrees at one and the same time, in the main hall, in the ante-room, in the property room, or in the tiler's room, as the occasion may demand, in order to expedite the accumulated work. * * * Resolved: that the grand lodge does hereby forbid any lodge to confer more than one of the degrees or sections of a degree at one and the same time, in the same lodge. The grand master is hereby empowered to enforce this edict.

This contains the intimation of a new kind of irregularity, at least to this writer, who never heard of any lodge outside of Mexico, attempting to divide itself up into two or more lodges for any purpose.

There is a fine report from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, but it is much too long for most of us. It fills twenty-four pages, containing a syllabus of each case; the substance of the briefs filed by the respective parties, and abstract of the evidence, together with the decision. It is almost like reading a volume of the appellate court reports.

Following his installation the in-coming grand master said—

Freemasonry has a mission; it is a factor in civilization. It has done much in breaking race prejudice and religious bigotry. I hear people talking about the higher degrees of Freemasonry. I don't know of any higher degrees than the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry. We learn in the first degree morality, faith and trust in God, and no man ever learned more important lessons. Freemasonry is the practice of the homely virtues, faith, hope, love, temperance, truth, justice, equality. We are character builders. We are trying to build men, to make them good citizens, by instilling these homely virtues as they are exemplified in the three degrees of Freemasonry. I repeat, I know of no higher degrees than the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry.

On behalf of the grand lodge, Brother A. S. Houston, past grand master, presented the retiring grand master with a past grand master's jewel. The speeches in presenting and accepting this token were very touching. There is a report on masonic correspondence, consisting of one hundred thirty pages, from the pen of Rev. Brother C. C. Woods, D. D., past grand master. He devotes four of his interesting pages to a review of Illinois (1915), and his treatment is most fraternal and gracious. He says—

The address of the grand master is a business document throughout, inclining to sentiment only in a few instances, etc. * * *

And takes occasion to quote quite liberally from his report. He takes occasion to mention the report of the Committee on Ceremonial Music, and says—

The idea seems to us to be a good one, and we trust that it may be fully developed and have suitable recognition in the fraternity.

Of the review he says—

The report on foreign correspondence covers two hundred pages, and is from the worthy pen of M. W. Bro. Owen Scott. * * * Needless to say, the report on correspondence is an excellent one. The writer could do no less.

Brother EDWARD HIGBEE, Grand Master, Kirksville; Brother JOHN R. PARSON, Grand Secretary, St. Louis.

## MONTANA

101 LODGES 52ND ANNUAL 9,902 MEMBERS

The volume of proceedings of this grand lodge is adorned by full page pictures of Brethren W. H. Allen, retiring grand master, Sol Star, past grand master, and Carlton W. Mather, first senior, grand deacon (1866).

The annual meeting commenced at Butte on August 30, 1916, and concluded at the town of Virginia,—the place of its birth—September 1, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over by Brother W. H. Allen, grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. The assemblage was dignified by the presence of fifteen past grand masters and the representatives of thirty-seven foreign grand bodies occupied the diplomatic circue, Past Grand Master O. F. Wasmandorff, the ambassador from Illinois, of this number.

At this meeting the fiftieth anniversary of the formation of the grand lodge was celebrated, and immediately following the opening ceremonies the grand master introduced, in turn, Brethren Sol Star, the first grand standard bearer (1866), afterwards grand master (1873); and A. J. Poznansky, first junior grand deacon, who each addressed the grand lodge, dealing chiefly in reminiscences of its early history.

The grand master's address covers thirty-one pages, and contains a fair account of his official activities during the year.

In the exordium he said in part—

This grand lodge has come to the fiftieth year of its existence. Born amidst the turmoil and strife incident to the influx into the territory of men in search of wealth, to be obtained lawfully by some, and unlawfully by others; and when we revert to the beginning of this grand lodge, note its small membership of, I believe, only nine brethren, and then view this large assemblage here today, we can realize that this grand lodge has made such growth, etc. * * * All great improvements are anchored in the past; so that the masonic anchor was cast forth in those early days of our great commonwealth, when the star of empire was moving westward, which has

become firmly imbedded in the solid rock of brotherly love, relief and truth, and Masonry today stands as a tower of strength, and a great power of good, where lawlessness once prevailed, while its tenets are being taught and practiced more earnestly than ever, etc. * * * While a gigantic war, unprecedented in its ruthless slaughter and waste, is being waged in other parts of the world, our nation, notwithstanding the efforts of those who would involve this country in war to further their schemes for more extensive loot, is at peace. * * * Let us labor more earnestly to promulgate the great truths taught in Masonry, and may the dark clouds of doubt, discord and hatred be rolled back by the bright sunlight of a new morn, ushering in that brighter and better day when all the armies of earth shall march under one banner, on which is inscribed "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men. * * *

Under the topic, "Fraternal Dead," announcement was made of the passing of Brethren John G. Blair, past grand master, John Potter, past deputy grand master, and Charles C. Proctor, senior grand steward. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions appears the name of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

The grand master reported the constituting of nine lodges, four in person, and five by proxy; and the issuing of six dispensations to form new lodges.

Sixteen of the lodges of his obedience were visited by the grand master during the year. Four corner stones were laid during the year, one by the grand master in person and three by his proxies. A large number of degrees is by the grand master reported as having been conferred by the lodges under his obedience, out of courtesy for foreign lodges, and by lodges of other grand jurisdictions for Montana lodges, all of which were arranged for by himself and the other grand masters concerned.

The grand master reported eleven decisions, six of which were by the Committee on Jurisprudence affirmed, and five were disapproved or modified. In No. 2, the grand master held that a demit could be issued by the master and secretary of a lodge, only after unanimous vote of the lodge. The committee dissented to the extent of holding that a majority vote was sufficient to authorize a demit to issue. In No. 3, the grand master decided that, where a candidate had been rejected, the ballot could not be re-considered, but that after the lapse of the constitutional time, the same petition might be again read and the ballot thereon taken. In its dissent the committee held that a new petition would be necessary. In No. 6, the grand master decided that a lodge might, by a majority vote at a stated meeting, levy an assessment on its members to defray lodge indebtedness, and collect the same in the same manner as lodge dues are collected. In dissenting from this, the committee held that in the absence of a by-law of the lodge special assessments could not be levied, and that the matter must be reached by amending the lodge by-laws. In No. 7—

A petitioner had been regularly elected, and objection had been made on the ground that a brother Mason held a note against him, and was unable to collect it.

The grand master held that the objection must be respected, and that—

If the candidate had given a note which he would not pay, the objector had good and sufficient grounds for his objection.

In dissenting from this it is well said by the committee that—

It was not necessary for the brother objecting to the initiation of the candidate to give any reason for his action, and the fact that he did, could make no difference. We do not agree with the statement that because the candidate had given a note which he would not pay, that was good or sufficient ground for objection. The candidate might have had moral or legal reasons for refusing to pay it, or he might have been unable to do so.

In No. 10, the grand master held that—

When a lodge is suspended for unmasonic action, and its charter taken away by the grand master the members of such lodge cannot visit other lodges.

In its dissent from this the committee (perhaps correctly), held that—

The suspension of the charter of a lodge has no effect upon the individual brothers composing its membership excepting to prevent them from meeting and transacting business as a lodge; their character as individual Masons is in no way affected. Consequently they have all the rights of individual Masons, including those of visitation, and in case of death, of the benefit of a masonic burial.

If instead of saying the "right of visitation," the committee had said the *privilege* of visitation, it would have hit the mark exactly in the center; there being no objection by any member of the lodge visited.

Concerning the home, the grand master reported having visited and taken dinner with the brethren who are residing there, and said—

I was very highly gratified to find different conditions existing from those found on my former visit in November last. One could scent a different atmosphere. Instead of complaints as to treatment, there was universal satisfaction expressed for the conditions now existing. * * * Many complaints have come to me of extravagance and mismanagement by the board in its conduct of the home, etc. * * *

All of which tends to furnish additional evidence that the habitual beneficiaries of this form of charity will ever be fancying that they require more changes of "*Atmosphere*" than the craft can supply. It is a sad commentary on human nature, but in the maintenance of homes it has to be taken into account.

The change of atmosphere alluded to by the grand master appears to have been occasioned by changing superintendents, and the grand master's visit was made before the residents of the home had become tired of the new appointee. It appears from the report of the trustees of the home that there were at the home as residents, fifteen men, in age ranging from 41 to 91

years, and four women, in age ranging from 38 to 79 years. The expenditures on account of the home for the year were $16,416.22.

The grand master reported that it was impossible for him to attend the annual meeting of the Washington Memorial Association, at Alexandria, and said—

I am informed that a magnificent sight has been secured for a memorial to Washington the Mason at Alexandria.

Brother Thomas J. Shryock has several times said the same thing, and he doubtless believes it. But when this writer saw this site, in 1893, he was then impressed with the notion that it would be a good place to start a brick yard, if the soil had been rich enough to make good brick. The grand master further proceeds to quote from an Alexandria newspaper concerning the matter of this project. It is not certain that the real estate agents who negotiated the sale of this site paid for the article from which he quoted, and caused it to be published, for the purpose of "jollying" Brother Shryock, and the others responsible for the selection of the site, but it is certain that they could well afford to do so, and the probability that they did is strong.

The language used in said article, instituting a comparison between Washington and King Solomon, is probably not actionable, in view of the fact that Washington is dead, but if he were living it is believed that the newspaper men would be more circumspect. As Brother Owen Scott has well said, Washington was married once *only*, and then to one who had been "tried, never denied, and ready to be tried again"; whereas Solomon was from all accounts a habitual polygamist.

The grand master recommended an amendment to the grand lodge by-laws prohibiting lodges from meeting in buildings any part of which are used for saloon purposes. In reporting on this the committee found that in a few instances it would oblige lodges to violate the terms of existing leases, or the terms of such by-law, if enacted, and it therefore recommended that instead of enacting such by-law, the grand lodge recommend lodges in future to refrain from leasing halls, where any part of the building is used for saloon purposes. This recommendation was approved.

The deputy grand master, senior grand warden and junior grand warden all made reports to the grand lodge, all of which are printed in the proceedings. They deal mostly with ceremonial visits made.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $21,074.65, of which $19,160.00 was dues from lodges. A net gain in membership of 921 is shown.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Lodges under Dispensation it was ordered that charters issue to five new lodges, and that one lodge be continued under dispensation.

Brother Robert Getty was elected grand master, and Brother Cornelius Hedges, Jr., was re-elected grand secretary. The great event of the session was their "Jubilee" celebration, or the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the grand lodge. On the evening of August 31 a popular meeting was held at the auditorium of the high school building in Butte, which was presided over by Past Grand Master Hepner. A speech was made by Grand Master Allen, after which the minutes recording the organization of the grand lodge were read. This was followed by a short and humorous address by Past Grand Master Sol Star, who was in turn followed by Past Grand Master Callaway, who delivered the address of the evening. It is a splendid deliverance, recounting the history of the grand lodge, which is quite romantic, and at times thrilling; dealing in part in reminiscences concerning the persons most prominently connected with the grand lodge. From beginning to end it is full of interest and inspiration to every Mason, more particularly to every Montana Mason, and will find a permanent place in the history of Masonry.

On September 1, the grand lodge, *en masse,* went on a pilgrimage to Virginia City, the "Cradle of Montana Mansonry." Here at 1:30 o'clock P. M., the grand lodge resumed its labors, the grand lodge officers were installed, and many short addresses commemorative of the past activities of the grand lodge were delivered. Brother Walter Stockwell, grand secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, was present as an honored visitor and addressed the grand lodge briefly. Following the closing of the grand lodge a luncheon was served by the ladies of Virginia City, and after lunch another popular meeting was held at the court house. This meeting was presided over by Past Grand Master Callaway. Governor Stewart was introduced and delivered an address of welcome. The address of this occasion was delivered by Past Grand Master Day, who made a thoughtful address on the "Mission of Masonry."

The exercises were concluded by a short address, dealing principally in reminiscences, by Senator and Past Grand Master William A. Clark. All of these "Jubilee" addresses were fine and appropriate, and if space permitted, parts of them might well be reproduced. They are full of interest to Masons in that they tend to show the great part played by Masons in redeeming Montana from the sway of outlaws, gamblers and highway robbers, attracted by the gold fever in the early 60's, and in establishing law and order in the territory and state. The printed proceedings contain fifteen pages of congratulatory messages from abroad on the occasion of their "Jubilee," among which were found telegrams of regret and felicitation from our own grand master and past grand master, Brethren Ralph H. Wheeler and Leroy A. Goddard.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Brother H. S. Hepner, and consists of 115 pages of well arranged notes. Three of his interesting

pages are devoted to Illinois (1915), and his treatment of our proceedings is considerate and fraternal. Of the annual report of the grand master, he says—

The grand master, Henry T. Burnap, presented a very concise and brief address, and much of the routine matter embodied in the usual address is relegated to the rear part of the volume in the shape of an appendix.

He notes Brother Burnap's report of the gentleman desiring to be relieved of the undesirable attentions of a lady supposed to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star; the man who invoked assistance in the collection of a debt; the wife who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband, and the twice rejected man who desired to be made a Mason "At sight," and says—

He did not tell us what he did with the first of the above questions. Did he appoint a committee to investigate the good looks, etc., of the lady in question and use his influence in causing a diversion to some one more willing? Too bad he did not comply with the light (?) demand of the last request; we presume that the gentleman who was so anxious was greatly disappointed.

He notes the report of the Committee on Music, and takes some liberties with the name of the chairman, Brother Kurzenknabe, which we feel bound to resent. He says—

We presume that the selection of the chairman was a most wise one, as his name would indicate some sort of a piano affair, and it is too bad that his parents gave him such a common-place first name to go with the musical surname; Sylvester Antonio might have been better, etc. * * *

Our brother may be assured that the name Kurzenknabe, so far from having a musical significance, literally means short boy, and the owner of it, George J. himself one time, confidentially admitted this to the writer. However, he constitutes another illustration of the truism, "There is nothing in a name," as we who know George, and we who have attended the annual meetings of the Grand Lodge of Illinois in recent years know, that in the domain of music, he is almost any thing but "*short.*" In this field he is in fact a great big circus, all by himself.

Of Brother Owen Scott he says—

His views are exceedingly interesting, and he has a gift at headlines, and some of them ought to be in italics, they are so emphatic, they might have suggested carmen ink and large type, as they attract attention, and leave no doubt as to Brother Scott's views. He represents at the Round Table a jurisdiction wonderful in its progress and development and growth, and his jurisdiction is represented by one of the very ablest men at the Round Table, and we are almost inclined to give him MacGregor's seat.

In the "Terminus" to his report our brother says—

Masonic education is engrossing many jurisdictions and we look for sets of one hundred, more or less, of best books for masonic libraries; if you stop to think of it our rituals, monitors, and the Great Light should be

mastered first, before we delve into the philosophy, speculative history and occultism of our art; when these are understood the novitiate will be ready for the higher course of study; we believe in lectures that are within the intellectual reach of all, and not in those dealing in mysticism and darkened phrases; what we want is light. * * * The desire for uniform work in each respective jurisdiction, one which each can call its own, has been abated, the baying against standard works and ciphers to a negligible quantity; though we are old fashioned enough to believe in the attentive ear, and instructive tongue, and ciphers to be used only on rare occasions, and placed in as few hands as possible. * * *

Many of the rest of us are so old fashioned as to entertain the notion that whoever utters or authorizes a printed or cipher ritual, or whoever uses either, if a regular Mason, has departed from his solemn engagements as an Entered Apprentice Mason.

The next Annual will be held at Helena, August 22, 1917.

Grand Master, Brother R. W. Getty, Milltown; Grand Secretary, Brother Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena.

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## NEBRASKA—1917

270 Lodges 60th Annual 25,044 Members

Bound in the very bluest of blue boards, and well printed and neatly arranged, the volume of proceedings of this grand lodge presents rather an attractive appearance, and as a reflection of the taste of the grand secretary, is commendable. The annual communication was held at Omaha commencing June 5, 1917. The assemblage was called to order and the grand lodge was opened in *ample form* by Brother Frederic L. Temple, deputy grand master, which it is presumed is all right, it appearing that the grand master, Brother Andrew H. Viele was near at hand. Following the opening, a committee retired and presented the seventeen past grand masters who were in attendance, who were welcomed and saluted with the honors of Masonry. Thereupon an escort consisting of two past grand masters, accompanied by the senior and junior deacons, retired and presented the grand master, who was saluted with the grand honors, conducted to the East and presented with the gavel, etc. At the instance of the grand master, two past grand masters, one of them a Civil War veteran, retired and returning presented the American flag, which as the record shows, brought forth the most enthusiastic greeting ever witnessed in the grand lodge. It further appears that—

When the applause had subsided and the grand master ordered the flag saluted with the grand honors and displayed on the platform during the session. The brethren thereupon joined in singing "The Star Spangled Banner."

After prayer the grand master called upon Brother Charles M. Shepherd, grand chaplain, to address the grand lodge with reference to the times we are facing. The brother responded, but the text of his address does not appear. The record however shows that—

The address aroused great enthusiasm in the grand lodge, and at its conclusion every member rose to his feet and applauded vigorously. At the order of the grand master all joined in singing "America."

On motion a preamble, and a series of four stirring resolutions, characterized by the highest degree of patriotic fervor, indorsing the action of the Board of Trustees of the masonic home in the purchase of $10000.00 worth of "Liberty bonds," and authorizing the purchase of an additional $5000.00 worth thereof, pledging to the President of the United States unswerving loyalty and devotion to the cause in which we are entering, etc., was unanimously adopted by a rising vote. Thereupon the grand orator, Brother William E. Andrews was called upon for an address, which was delivered, he taking as his text "The Star Spangled Banner, the British Union Jack, and the French Tricolor."

Following this address, which was accompanied by a spectacular tableau, a collection was taken for the War Relief Society, which netted the sum of $250.65, and thus was spent the entire forenoon. All those who feel so disposed may say that these inspiring exercises were somewhat apart from the ordinary purposes of Masonry, but the writer feels that it must have been good to be there. On resuming labor in the afternoon, after singing one stanza of "The Star Spangled Banner," the grand master delivered his annual address, which fills twenty-seven pages of the proceedings, and which gives a detailed account of his official doings, with such recommendations as he deemed expedient. * * * Under the head of "Necrology" he announced the death during the year of Past Grand Master Zuingle M. Baird, and of Assistant Grand Custodian, Levi D. Phipps. Commenting thereon he makes effective use of a quotation from the late Senator Ingalls, on the "Democracy of the Dead."

Concerning the "Home" he reported—

I feel that it would be useless for me to make any extended explanation of our splendid home at Plattsmouth,— * * * however, to satisfy myself in full, later in the year, I again visited the home unannounced, the superintendent not knowing that I was coming until I arrived at the door. * * * We went over the property, investigating every detail, from the heating plant to the storage room, as well as the different apartments. I found the home in a neat and "homelike condition"—* * * We are now caring for at the home twenty-four women, and twenty men. * * *

Concerning the "Promulgation of the Work" the grand master said—

This is to me one of the most important matters we have to consider, and one in which I have a deep interest. * * * Soon after I was installed as your grand master, and as soon as my duties would permit I paid a visit to the office of our grand custodian, and for one whole day we studied the situation from many angles. * * * We decided to hold a series of central schools, to be held at some central point where it would accommodate the largest number of lodges. * * * We arranged for eight of these central schools, and I am pleased to say that in most cases they proved a great success. * * *

Concerning the Washington Memorial Association the grand master reported receipt of an invitation to attend the annual meeting held at Alexandria, Va., in February last, and the designation of Brother William E. Andrews, grand orator, as his proxy for the purpose of representing the grand lodge at this meeting.

Under the head of "Decisions" the grand master said—

While I have received a great amount of correspondence relative to the interpretation of the law, it is so plain that usually merely by citing the section the question was answered without the grand master making any decision. There were however a few that I did interpret, as follows—

Whereupon a list of nine decisions is reported, all of them being constructions of their code, all of which passed muster before the Committee on Jurisprudence, except one, which was modified. This was as follows—

3. A brother pays dues in advance; wants demit. Should lodge refund dues paid? Answer. Section CXXXVIII, requires grand lodge dues paid before granting demit. Honesty would suggest return of the unearned local dues.

This the committee disapproved, and reported that the decision should have been—

This in a matter in the discretion of the subordinate lodge.

Two of the decisions relate to residence qualifications of candidates for the degrees, and two to physical qualifications of such candidates. In one of the latter it was held that a petitioner having lost the index and second finger of the left hand is eligible, and that one who is paralyzed from the hips to the feet is ineligible.

The grand master reported the laying of fourteen corner stones; the dedication of three masonic temples; and the constituting of three lodges. Ten dispensations were issued permitting lodges to confer degrees without regard to time, and five permitting lodges to hold elections at times other than as in the by-laws prescribed.

Concerning the chain letter, the grand master said—

My attention has been called several times to the chain letter nuisance, lodges or members asking my opinion as to what should be done. In each case I have advised them to treat them as they would all waste

paper. I believe there are too many people imploring God to be on their side, and making no effort to get on God's side. I dislike to think of the great, kind and beneficient Ruler of the Universe as One whose throne has to be bombarded with a chain of paper missles, meaningless to all except a desire on the part of the sender to comply with the request of a friend. * * *

The conclusion of the address was pitched to a high key. From it the following is excerpted—

That Masonry in the past has been one of the greatest elements for the uplift and benefit of mankind, there is no doubt, and its usefulness in the future is just as certain. For if that time of universal peace ever comes, Masonry must be its handmaiden; for just as it was instrumental in establishing liberty and free government, so must it by the practice of its principles, the symbolizing of its emblems, be first in the ranks of the onward march of the Prince of Peace. * * *

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year on account of the General Fund of the sum of $47,440.10 of which $35271.00 was on account of dues, and the balances was derived from divers other sources.

It further appears from the same report that the receipts from all sources on account of the Home Fund was $62146,32, and that the expenditures amounted to $60980.62. The same report shows that the average number of residents at the home during the year was 41 plus, and that the *per capita* cost of subsistence was $319.80. In addition to these residents at the home, assistance had been given to twenty-eight people, through the Relief Committee, who were not at the home, as the report shows—

These brethren, their widows or families are partly able to care for themselves, and can remain in their own homes with a little financial assistance.

They have in Nebraska a "Custodian of the work," who has such well defined ideas of his business, and in his report expresses himself so clearly, that quotation thereform must be made. He says—

At my request, the grand master kindly modified the rule heretofore in vogue, viz; that the custodian must devote a part of the time of each school to the "study side" of Masonry. * * * I feel that where lodges are in need of instruction in the letter of the work, my first duty should be to improve all the allotted time along these lines, leaving each brother the right to solve the problems of the meaning of the symbols, traditions, and legends as he may see proper from his standpoint of spiritual intuition.

The views of this brother thus happily expressed are commended to all who are commissioned to teach the ritual of Masonry, as well as all who arrange the programme for its promulgation. He shows that he knows, as every ritualist with common sense should know, that the ritual

constitututes a very small part of Masonry, but that he is commissioned to give special attention to that one thing.

Concerning the application of the Grand Lodge of Panama for fraternal recognition, the Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that—

There seems to be such an intimate relation between the members of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite, and the French and York Rite, that your committee would want to make further investigation before reporting any recommendations for the establishment of fraternal relations. * * *

In the evening of the first day an oration was delivered by Brother William E. Andrews grand orator, which finds a deserved place in the proceedings.

His theme was "Fraternity and Patriotism," and the oration was instructive and inspiring both to the average citizen of America, and to a Mason, particularly to the Mason.

On the morning of the second day, Brother Thomas Arthur, grand master of Iowa was presented to the grand lodge, and received with the honors appropriate to his exalted station, whereupon he delivered a brief but timely address.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, the in-coming grand master was authorized to issue dispensation for the formation of one new lodge.

Brother Frederic L. Temple was elected grand master, and Brother Francis E. White was re-elected grand secretary.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Brother John A Ehrhardt, past grand master, and is carefully prepared. Above four of his interesting pages are devoted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois for 1916, and his treatment discloses a kind heart as well as a discriminating mind.

He takes note of our musical programme and our flag ceremony at the opening of the grand lodge, and quotes in full the remarks of Brother Owen Scott concerning the music. He re-produces for his readers the greater part of a page from Grand Master Wheeler's report, making use of the opening remarks, and what is in the address stated with reference to the George Washington Memorial. He takes notice of what is in the report mentioned concerning the Royal Arch gift of $5000.00; the completion of the work of the Committee on Joseph Robbins' Memorial publication; and the matter of the publication of bulletins disclosing lodge business. He is apparently impressed by the visit to grand lodge of our children from La Grange, and by the report of Brother Daly,

president of the Board of Managers for the homes. Is also greatly interested in the oration of Brother Oscar Kropf, and re-produces a closely printed page from the same. The distinguished brother is pleased to take note of the report on correspondence, and has no complaint to make of the treatment therein accorded to the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

The next Annual will be held at Omaha June 4, 1918.

Brother FREDERIC L. TEMPLE, Grand Master, Lexington; Brother FRANCIS E. WHITE, Grand Secretary, Omaha.

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## NEVADA—1916

23 LODGES 52ND ANNUAL 1,977 MEMBERS

The volume containing the printed proceedings of this grand lodge is adorned by the full page pictures of Brother Benjamin W. Coleman, retiring grand master, Brother W. A. M. Vanbokkellen, grand master in 1872, and Brother WeWitt C. McKinney, grand master in 1879, and an attractive picture of the American flag.

The annual meeting was held at Reno, commencing June 15, 1916, and was opened in ample form, and presided over by the grand master, assisted by the other grand lodge officers, all of whom were in their places.

Lending dignity to the assemblage, fourteen past grand masters were in attendance, and the representatives of thirty-seven foreign grand bodies occupied the diplomatic circle, Brother Charles E. Mack, the envoy of Illinois being of this number.

The grand master's address fills fourteen pages, and gives an account of his official acts and doings. With becoming modesty, he says—

My tenure of office has been notable in that nothing of great consequence has demanded my consideration and solution. It is not given to all of us to perform wonders, but we may all spread the cement of brotherly love and affection, and if I have done any act or spoken one word which has tended to promote peace and harmony among the craft, and to inspire a greater love for our fellow beings, my administration will not have been in vain.

He reports the visitation of nineteen of the lodges of his jurisdiction, and when it is remembered that Nevada has an area twice as great as Illinois, we may have some appreciation of the amount of time and travel required to make these visits.

In the matter of decisions the grand master said—

During my term of office it has not been necessary for me to decide any question of sufficient importance to justify reporting.

The grand master reported the approval of the by-laws of one lodge, and of amendments to the by-laws of three lodges, during his term.

He reported the granting of one dispensation to elect and install lodge officers at a different time to that prescribed by the by-laws.

The grand master reported a number of cases in which, through his office the lodges under his obedience had been requested by lodges of foreign grand jurisdictions to confer degrees through courtesy, and where like requests had been preferred to lodges of foreign grand jurisdictions, at the instance of Nevada lodges, all of which, through him and the other grand masters concerned, had been arranged.

Concerning the "Standard Work" the grand master said—

A resolution passed at the last annual communication providing for the appointment by the incoming grand master of a master of instruction. Pursuant to that resolution I appointed Brother Past Grand Master David. * * * I may say that very little has been accomplished in the way of bringing the work to a higher degree of perfection. This, however, is not due to any lack of ability or interest on the part of the master of instruction, but to the fact that the various lodges have not felt that they could afford the expense of having Brother David visit and instruct them. * * * This is a most important work, and it is for the grand lodge to determine whether or not it shall be carried to a successful termination. If it is, Brother David should be authorized to hold schools of instruction in two or three places in the jurisdiction, each of which will be accessible to the officers of one or more other lodges. * * * It is important because the brethren cannot be expected to manifest as much interest in the ritualistic work when it is given in a halting, stumbling manner, as when given in an impressive style. While I desire to impress upon you the importance of the mastering of the ritualistic work by the officers of the respective lodges, I want to say that it is more important that we carry into our daily lives the true masonic spirit.

Just why, for the last thousand years, every one who takes occasion to commend, or express appreciation of clean, accurate and impressive delivery of the ritualistic work, should modify such commendation by some such expression as the above, is what one fellow would like to know. Surely the qualification, which is always thrown in, does not have its inspiration in the assumption that accurate, methodical and impressive work, is likely to give the impression that Masonry has nothing to do with right living, or that those who are masters of the ritual are masters of nothing else. Granting that the ritual is not the most important feature of Masonry, it would appear that the one who appreciates its beauty and endeavors to master it is the one most likely to master the more important features of the institution, and that the better the ritualistic work is rendered, the more likely is the candidate to be attracted to the "True Masonic spirit."

The grand master concluded his address by making three recommendations.

1. He says—

Within the last few weeks we have had a lecturer of note in our midst. He lectured at several places within our jurisdiction. In the course of his remarks he said many things which should cause us to think and stimulate us to greater activity. On the other hand he said things which were contrary to all our masonic training, and caused us to question the advisability of encouraging such lecturers, etc. * * *

Whereupon the grand master suggested action by the grand lodge, expressing disapproval of this class of lecturers, and this lecturer in particular.

2. The grand master further says—

One of the great needs of our fraternity is a magazine published by the authority of the order, and which can be placed in the hands of every Mason in the land. This may appear to be an undertaking impossible of accomplishment, but when we consider that one of the fraternal orders of our country which has less than 400,000 members, is doing this very thing, we can readily see that our order with a membership of about 1,800,000 in the United States alone, can do it if we get a united effort back of the movement. * * * We are greatly in need of such a magazine, and this need cannot be realized to its full extent by one who has not been grand master. I venture to say that not more than five per cent of the Masons of the country subscribe to a masonic magazine. * * *

And thus he presents a plea for an official organ for the whole body of Masonry.

3. The grand master's third recommendation favors the forming of a "Supreme Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of America," getting bodily into the boat with Brother Mikels of Indiana.

The committee to which these recommendations were referred in reporting said concerning number 1—

Regarding the propriety of circumscribing in any way the subjects which may be discussed in a masonic lodge, we feel that the matter can be safely left to the good judgment of the different masters; also, that any matter which affects the moral and civic welfare of a whole community is a proper subject for discussion in a lodge room.

Concerning the grand master's second recommendation the committee says, never a word.

Concerning the third recommendation the committee says—

In the matter of taking steps looking toward the formation of a general grand lodge, we can only express the recommendation of the committee that the action of this grand lodge in 1914, which was adopted unanimously and unqualifiedly, be sustained. This resolution was as follows: "We recommend that the grand master attend the gathering * * * and oppose the formation of any general grand masonic body." With a strong belief that the above resolution reflects the desire of the present grand lodge, we make such a recommendation.

The report of the committee was approved.

The last topic treated of in the address is that of war, under which he says—

The indescribable suffering which it (war) has caused, is causing, and which will flow from it for decades, makes the thoughtful man wonder if the doctrine of "Peace on earth and good will to man," will ever be a realization. Let us hope that ere long the spirit of Masonry may find lodgment in the hearts of the rulers on the nations engaged in this murderous strife, and that as a consequence, peace may shortly reign.

The report of the grand secretary is methodically arranged. It shows the collection during the year to the account of the General Fund, the sum of $2676.70, of which sum $2,220.50 was for dues. The table of returns from lodges shows a net gain in membership during the year of 2.

There is published a seven-page report from a Committee on Masonic Home which found adversely to the home proposition. This report was approved.

With something of a spread-eagle preamble, the following was adopted—

Resolved; That the grand secretary be authorized to purchase an American flag for the use of the Grand Lodge of Nevada, and that every constituent lodge within the jurisdiction forthwith acquire a flag of these United States for display in the East at every communication.

On the afternoon of the second day an oration was delivered before the grand lodge by Brother Lloyd B. Thomas, grand orator, which is printed in the proceedings. He chose for his topic "The Trowel," and the brother took occasion to give some homely, though timely, hints as to the symbolic value of this useful instrument.

The Committee on Legitimacy of Grand Lodges reported, recommending the denial of recognition to the National Grand Lodge of France, and the denial of the sufficiency of a demit from Minerva Lodge No. 370 of Manilla, P. I. (under warrant from the Grand Orient of Portugal) to entitle the holder thereof to affiliate with a Nevada lodge. This report was adopted.

Brother Alfred W. Holmes was elected grand master, and Brother E. D. Vanderlieth was re-elected grand secretary.

There is a report on correspondence by Brother Edward D. Vanderlieth consisting of 214 pages. The Proceedings of Illinois for 1915 receive courteous and fraternal treatment in his report. He says—

It is splendid to see that Illinois has a committee at work, arranging a programme of ceremonial music for use in the lodges, etc. * * *

He further says—

The volume contains a code of instructions and forms concerning masonic trials submitted by the Committee on Appeals and Grievances. Its members are to be warmly congratulated for a splendid bit of work.

Of the review, he says—

Reviewer Scott again submits the report, and it is needless to say that it is well done.

He further says—

With Brother Scott's views on the necessity of the Bible being upon the altar we agree, and we still hope to see the Bible, the great light, on the altars of France and its satellites.

The next Annual will be held at Tonopah, June 12, 1917.

Brother Alfred W. Holmes, Grand Master, Reno; Brother Edward D. Vanderlieth, Grand Secretary, Carson City.

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## NEW BRUNSWICK—1916

42 Lodges | 49th Annual | 3,768 Members

A pamphlet of ninety-four pages contains the published proceedings of this grand lodge, from which it appears that the annual meeting was held at Saint John on April 25, 1916. The grand lodge was opened and presided over by Brother Hedley V. B. Bridges, grand master, the other grand lodge officers being in their respective places and stations. The opening was preceded by prayer, and the reading of the 24th Psalm by the grand chaplain.

The gathering was dignified by the presence at the opening of five past grand masters, and the representatives of twenty-four foreign grand lodges were seated in the diplomatic circle, Brother William A. Dougherty, the representative of Illinois, being of this number.

The grand master's address fills twenty-five pages, taken with the somewhat voluminous exhibits, and is an account of his official acts, and his ceremonial visits to the lodges under his obedience.

Concerning the war, he said—

Fondly did we hope, fervently did we pray, when we parted here a year ago, that the horrors of this awful war would be measurably removed and the horizon brightened for us before another annual communication. But the Supreme Architect of the Universe has decreed it otherwise, and this war which has been waged with relentless fury for the past twenty months continues to be carried on by those who deliberately planned it with a cruelty and savagery unsurpassed in the history of warfare, and with a preparation the efficacy of which has astonished the civilized world. * * * But while the empire, with Canada as a part of it, is at war, I am happy to report that harmony and peace prevail throughout our jurisdiction, and that a measure of prosperity and progress is ours as a result of the year's work.

The grand master announced the death of many brethren of local prominence, during the year, quite a number of whom had fallen in the line of duty in the military service.

Concerning special dispensations, the grand master reported—

I have issued 28 dispensations during the year, the most of which were for the purpose of conferring degrees at short intervals on candidates who had enlisted for foreign service in this war. * * *

The grand master took occasion to commend the work performed by the district deputy grand masters and recommended a study of their several reports.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection, during the year of the sum of $3,739.50 of which $2,674.40 was dues and the balance from other sources. The same report shows a net increase in membership of 101.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Relations, recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, and an exchange of representatives suggested.

Brother Hedley V. B. Bridges was re-elected grand master, and Brother J. Twining Hartt was re-appointed grand secretary.

A "Special Communication" of the grand lodge was held at the City of St. John on June 25th, 1916, for the purpose of attending divine service at St. David's Church, of which the "V. W. Grand Chaplain" was minister. The sermon is printed in full in the proceedings, and is a good one, the theme being "The Plumb Line of Divine Truth."

There is no published report on correspondence.

The next Annual will be held at St. John April 24, 1917.

Brother Hedley V. B. Bridges, Grand Master, Fredericton; Brother J. Twining Hartt, Grand Secretary, St. John.

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## NEW BRUNSWICK—1917

40 Lodges 50th Annual 3,806 Members

The annual communication of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick was held in Saint John, commencing April 24, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened by the grand master, Brother Hedley V. B. Bridges, in ample form, with prayer by the grand chaplain, and the reading of Psalm XXIV. Four

past grand masters were in attendance, and in the diplomatic circle were the representatives of twenty-one "Sister Grand Jurisdictions," the seat of "Sister" Illinois being vacant.

The grand master's address covers twenty-four pages of the proceedings, and recounts his official and ceremonial visits, and his views on such matters as he deemed of interest. It will be remembered that this grand lodge has a "Board of General Purposes," which attends to the routine, and administrative matters of the grand lodge, hence they appear chiefly in the report of this tribunal. The grand master announced that during the year quite a number of brethren of local prominence had passed away, but that none of his official family had been called. Concerning the great war, the grand master took occasion to say—

When the day dawned for us which found the whole English-speaking people united in sentiment and action in carrying on this war to a successful conclusion, to the hope and trust and courage that was ours, we added greater courage and thanked God. For among those two great nations are nearly three millions of men who are Masons, whose principles are vitally contained in the successful issues of this titanic struggle for truth and freedom. The world cannot, and will not, be the same after this war is over, nor will the British Empire be as it was before the fateful August, 1914. Over eighty years ago the poet Wordsworth said to Emerson that what the United States needed was a great war to cement it into a united people. And the war came. * * *

Reverently, the brother concluded his address as follows—

And now in our deliberations and labours of this annual communication of grand lodge, may the Supreme Architect of the Universe continue to have us in His holy keeping.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year on account of the General Fund of the sum of $3,675.90 of which $2,762.80 was dues from lodges. The same report shows a net increase in membership during the year of 30.

From the report of the Board of General Purposes it appears that the increase of the Benevolent Fund during the year was $764.46; that the expenditures aggregated the sum of $488.00 and that the present balance is the sum of $16,976.65.

The reports of the five district deputy grand masters are printed in the proceedings, and tend to show that this job in that grand jurisdiction is not exactly a sinecure, and that their work had been fairly well done.

Brother Daniel C. Clark was elected grand master, and Brother J. Twining Hartt was re-appointed grand secretary.

It was announced by the grand master, that as the grand master elect was away from the province, and would not return for some days, an emergent communication would have to be summoned for the installation of

grand lodge officers. Such emergent communication was held at Saint John on the 15th day of May, 1917, at which time and place the grand lodge officers were installed into office.

A complete roster of the members of lodges is printed in the proceedings, and thus fifty pages are filled with names alone.

There is no published report on foreign correspondence.

The next Annual will be held at St. John April 23, 1918.

Brother Daniel C. Clark, Grand Master, West St. John; Brother J. Twining Hartt, Grand Secretary, St. John (Ritchie's Bldg.)

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## NEW HAMPSHIRE

80 Lodges 128th Annual 11,111 Members

The volume containing the printed proceedings of this grand lodge is ornamented with full page photogravures of Brethren George Edward Bales, grand master (1916); Holman Arthur Drew, past grand master; Thomas Perkins Cheney, past deputy grand master, and Henry Eben Burnham, past grand master, all deceased.

The annual meeting was held at Concord, commencing May 16, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by Brother Abraham L. Garmon, deputy grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Ten past grand masters were in attendance, and the representatives of thirty-seven foreign grand bodies occupied seats in the diplomatic circle, Brother Sewall W. Abbott, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The year's activities are noted in an address by the acting grand master which fills twenty-six pages of the proceedings. In the opening it is said—

> During the last year our grand lodge has met with an irreparable loss in the death of our grand master, George Edward Bales, etc. * * * He did much for the grand lodge in the few months that he was our grand master, and doubtless had plans for much more than we shall ever know.

Announcement is made, also, of the death during the year of Brethren Holman Arthur Drew, and Henry Eben Burnham, past grand masters, and Thomas P. Cheney, past deputy grand master.

The grand master reported the granting of a very few special dispensations, for the usual purposes, and reports declining to grant one permitting a lodge to participate, as a lodge, in a parade on Memorial Day, and one permitting a lodge to confer the degree of Master Mason on Sunday. Request from Lodge No. 7 was made for the last mentioned dispensation, and is the

first one of its kind ever heard of by this writer. Three district schools of instruction were held during the year as reported in the address, and all were pronounced successful and highly instructive.

Concerning the Masonic Home, the acting grand master said—

I feel that my report would not be complete without speaking a few words in regard to the masonic home, the pride of all New Hampshire Masons. The home has had a successful year, and today there are seventeen members in its family. It is a worthy cause, and we are doing good work. However, much more could be accomplished, if we had the funds. We have a small fund, established with money willed to the home by our deceased members. I wish that more brothers would find it in their heart to leave money to this institution, etc.

The home is located at Manchester, and a cut of the home building is prefixed to the report of the Committee on Home. It is a fine appearing structure, and from the report of the committee it appears to have cost about $28,000.00, and it is said by the committee to be exempt from taxes.

The report of the committee further shows that—

The members of the Order of the Eastern Star in this state are greatly interested in the success and prosperity of our masonic home. They have assisted the trustees in making our charitable institution useful and successful. * * *

Report was made by the acting grand master of his attendance by proxy on the meeting of the Washington Memorial Association at Alexandria, Va., and the suggestion was made that the grand lodge take stock in this enterprise. This suggestion was reinforced by the report of the Committee on Washington Memorial, whereupon the grand lodge appears to have subscribed one hundred dollars to the association.

The acting grand master reported a decision by Grand Master Bales, as follows—

Question: Having sat in New Hampshire Consistory, S. P. R. C. 32°, with a brother of that degree, can I avouch for him as a Master Mason?

Answer: No.

This being referred to the "Committee on Doings of Grand Officers," it was recommended that the same be not approved. The recommendation was concurred in and the decision was disapproved. With all due respect to the right worshipful committee and the grand lodge the better opinion would be that Grand Master Bales' decision was right.

Under the head of "Roll of Honor," the grand master said, in part—

We are a nation at war, a struggling unit in a war of such enormous magnitude as to be commonly called a world war. This war has been raging beyond the seas for nearly three years, etc. * * * It is only a little over a month since our own country has entered into this the greatest of known conflicts, but it is time even now for each and all of us to prepare to do our part. * * * I feel confident that the Masons of

New Hampshire will be found among the first to offer their services in this terrible struggle, waged for the defense of our flag and our national honor, and to save civilization from being wrecked by aggressive militarism. In this conflict of right against might, it must be that many members of our lodges will engage. I feel that it would be well for this grand lodge to order a MASONIC ROLL OF HONOR to be established, to bear the name and service of all our lodge membership who may enlist, etc. * * *

The committee to which this matter was referred recommended, and the grand lodge ordered that the grand secretary be instructed to prepare and to furnish to the lodges blank forms for making returns to grand lodge of all members who shall enlist in the army or navy during the present war, and that the grand secretary prepare to transfer such returns for preservation in the archives of the grand lodge.

Following the grand master's address in the proceedings are the reports of the seven district deputy grand masters, which show pretty close supervision of the lodges and that the general condition is good. The table of returns from lodges shows a net increase in membership during the year of 53.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year, on account of the General Fund, of the sum of $12,052.08 of which $8,333.23 was *per capita* dues and $2,170.00 was dues from initiates, and the balance was from divers other sources.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Panama.

Brother Abraham Lincoln Garmon was elected grand master, and Brother Harry Morrison Cheney was re-elected grand secretary.

There is a report on correspondence consisting of 146 pages from the pen of Brother Harry M. Cheney, grand secretary, and past grand master, being the eleventh consecutive report by him written. He concludes the introduction to his report as follows—

I write these lines in mid-April days, wherein have been provoked many anxieties because of our national step into the maelstrom of war. I am one who believes that it is all a part of God's plan, whereby this great and rich nation is to be an agency in making this old world better than it has ever been before. Freemasons are the type of men who must see it through. In this struggle the national and masonic ideals are in full accord. May it end soon, but not until it is made impossible for its like to terrorize the earth again.

The Proceedings of Illinois, (1916) are fraternally reviewed, and our brother found many matters to excite his interest. He says—

There was a musical program as a part of the opening exercises. Old Glory was brought in and placed in the East. We can hear them singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." * * * You can find no trace of General In-

difference in Illinois. He resides elsewhere. * * * We do not learn that the grand master was present until he begins the reading of the address, and even then we are not given his name.

Our brother is impressed by the number of new lodges constituted, and the number of dispensations issued for the formation of other new lodges, as reported by the grand master, and says—

These figures look large to one who has not seen a new charter issued in his state for more than eight years.

Referring to what is in the address reported concerning the visiting of lodges, he says—

The list is a staggering one, * * * it is a monument recording his zeal and activity.

He notices the reference to our flag ceremony, and of the flag, says—

It is a symbol never once out of place anywhere in the land.

He characterizes as strange, the recommendation that a permanent location for the grand secretary's office should be established, and says—

The strangeness lies in the fact that this has not been done before.

Of the address he says, further—

We find the Committee on Grand Master's Address declaring that he had done his work in a masterly manner. We discovered that much before we had read the report.

Concerning our proceedings he says—

We have gone through 154 printed pages, reading the business transactions of this session. It is a maze of effort to do the best thing. It is interesting to any mind that loves Freemasonry.

Concerning the report on correspondence he is disposed to be rather complimentary, for which he is hereby assured of our grateful appreciation.

The next Annual will be held at Concord May 15, 1918.

Brother Abraham L. Garmon, Grand Master, Manchester; Brother Harry M. Cheney, Grand Secretary, Concord.

## NEW JERSEY—1917

201 Lodges 130th Annual 44,381 Members

The book of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by full page pictures of Brethren William R. Meakle, retiring grand master, Theodore B. Townley, late grand secretary, Jacob Ringle, past deputy grand master, and a cut showing the masonic temple at Newark.

The annual meeting was held at Trenton, commencing April 18, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers. Fourteen past grand masters graced the occasion by their presence, and the representatives of fifty, (more or less) foreign grand bodies were in attendance, Brother Richard C. Woodward, the envoy of Illinois of this number. The grand lodge was favored also by the presence of the following distinguished visitors: Brethren Stuart J. Horn, grand master, Thomas J. Day, past grand master, George B. Hynson, deputy grand master, and Frank B. Newell, junior grand warden, all of the Grand Lodge of Delaware; Leonard J. Nickerson, grand master of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut; Walter E. Edge, Governor of New Jersey, and Thomas J. Raymond, mayor of the city of Newark. * * * The grand master's address, with exhibits and illustrations, fills thirty pages and is a brief *resume* of his official activities for the year, with such recommendations as he saw proper to submit.

Under the topic, "Necrology" he says—

During this masonic year death has exacted from us a frightful toll, at the severity of which we are but human to marvel. * * *

Whereupon he announced the passing of Brethren Joseph E. Moore, past grand master, Benjamin Franklin Wakefield, past grand master, Chancellor W. Chase, past junior grand warden, Theodore Beckman Townley, grand secretary, who died in office, and many other brethren of local prominence.

The grand master reported the constituting of three lodges pursuant to previous action by grand lodge, the issuing of four dispensations to form new lodges, and the laying of two corner stones.

Under the head of "Visitation," the grand master reported quite a long list of the lodges of his obedience visited by him during the year, and says—

The courtesies invariably shown me will linger as pleasant memories as long as I am permitted to live.

One decision, only, is reported by the grand master, it being a construction of their law concerning residence qualifications of petitioners

for initiation, and his holding was perhaps in accordance with the spirit of their code, but the language employed as stated in the record is rather unfortunate, in that he is made to say—

I have therefore presumed *to change the law* to read, that a candidate for initiation must be a *bona fide* resident for at least six months at the address stated in the petition.

Legislative powers properly appertain to the grand lodge alone, the grand master having authority to enforce the laws, and perhaps to construe them in accordance with the spirit thereof, but *hardly to change* them.

Several pages of the address are covered by the grand master's remarks concerning the masonic home at Burlington, with the exhibits. Among other things he reported the presentation of two gifts to the home in the sum of one thousand dollars each, from Enterprise Lodge No. 48, and Highland Lodge No. 80, respectively, and *fac-similes* of the warrants issued in each case are in the record. As tending to further evince the grand master's interest in the home, and showing that, like our own Grand Master Wheeler, he can furnish a tableau should occasion require it, the following rather dramatic incident was staged: In the course of the delivery of the address, Brother Amzi Lake, Superintendent of Masonic Home, presented Harold W. Barker, age four years, and Brother Henry Hunecke, age ninety-one years, who were guests at the masonic home, who were introduced to the brethren of the grand lodge, as follows—

Whereupon a very affecting introduction by the grand master is reported, concluding as follows—

I want you to look on this boy and then on this man, and realize if possible more fully what we are doing in Burlington in our masonic home, and go back to your lodges and tell them something about it. * * *

From the report of the Home Committee it appears that at date of the report there were in the home eighty-four guests, and that the gross cost of maintenance for the year, including all charges of upkeep, have been $23,297.01, showing a per capita cost per day of $72.01.

The grand master was hearty and lavish in his praise of the district deputy grand masters, saying in part—

As representatives of the grand master they have performed every duty devolving upon them with care, precision and devotion, upholding at all times the best traditions of the fraternity.

The grand master also took occasion to commend the services rendered by the several committees by him appointed, and said, *inter alia*—

I feel in simple justice to the Committee on Correspondence that attention should be called at least to the tremendous amount of labor involved in preparing its voluminous and admirable report. This committee keeps us in touch with the whole world of Masonry, and in a man-

ner too that enlists and holds our interest, as well as demonstrating clearly to the thoughtful reader that such expenditure of energy is second always to the love of service which prompted it. The best thanks that can be conveyed, or in anywise shown to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is to read the complete report, which in its entirety I most heartily commend to you.

Concerning a committee consisting of nine ladies, appointed by the grand master to have oversight of the domestic affairs at the home, he reported as follows—

These ladies at considerable personal sacrifice have performed both capably and well many duties which it would be impossible for a man to do. * * * That this reference will excite the curiosity, yes, perhaps the interest of some foreign jurisdictions, I well know, and my suggestion in that regard would be that, while we admittedly have some things to learn in connection with the management of our masonic home, we are sufficiently egotistic to believe that there are some things which we can teach, and if they will honor us with a visit we shall have pleasure in elaborating more fully upon some of the more important details. * * *

Concerning the old masonic temple, mentioned in last report, the grand master said—

The old masonic temple, completely restored and presented to the grand lodge by the Masonic Historical Association of Trenton at the last annual communication, is fulfilling its proposed destiny in an admirable manner. It is a Mecca, at whose shrine earnest Masons from this, and many other widely scattered jurisdictions delight to pay tribute. * * * The building graces a charming setting, and when its surroundings are fully developed it will appear a veritable gem. * * *

During the year the grand lodge had been obliged by the owners of the building which had been for some time its headquarters to vacate, and the "Nobles of the Mystic Shrine" learning of this invited the grand lodge to make its temple headquarters, which offer was gladly accepted, and the meeting at this session of the grand lodge was held in the Shrine Temple.

The grand master recommended that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Shrine, which was done.

The grand master recommended that "honorary title" be accorded to the grand organist and the grand tyler, whereupon the following was introduced, and under the rules laid over for one year, to-wit—

Resolved that the office of grand organist and grand tyler be entitled to the rank of right worshipful.

The report of the deputy grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the aggregate sum of $59,549.29 of which $26,660.50 was dues, $13,314.30 was home per capita tax, and the balance was derived from divers other sources. The same report shows a net increase in membership of 2,124.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations, five lodges were granted warrants, and a dispensation was granted, authorizing the formation of one new lodge.

A special committee appointed to draft suitable resolution to be sent to the President of the United States presented the following—

Resolved, that we, the members of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the state of New Jersey, the representatives of 45,000 Masons, in annual communication assembled, do hereby affirm our allegiance to our country and our flag. We heartily endorse the action of his Excellency the President of the United States, in committing our people to the cause of humanity, and as true Americans, we pledge him our unqualified support in this epoch of the history of our country.

On motion this resolution was unanimously adopted.

The brethren of the grand lodge joined heartily in singing "The Star Spangled Banner," etc. * * *

The following resolution was presented, and on motion adopted, to-wit—

Resolved that so-called chain letters, containing a hope of personal reward or a threat of misfortune are declared to be unmasonic, and the membership are hereby so advised.

Brother William M. Thompson was elected grand master, and Brother Isaac Cherry was elected grand secretary.

The report on foreign correspondence is again by Brother Robert A. Shirrefs, and is well written, indeed the grand master's designation of it as "*Admirable,*" is not overdrawn. Two of his interesting pages are devoted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois, for 1916. He takes note of the opening of the session as follows—

Grand lodge was opened in ample form by the deputy grand master, who then directed the grand marshal to retire and return with the flag, which he presented and placed in the East, while the brethren sang, "My Country 'Tis of Thee." The Credential Committee then reported a quorum present, and the grand secretary read the lists of committeemen. The unnamed grand master then presented his annual report, and not until it had been read, referred to the usual committee, and its report as to disposition received, does it appear that the grand master (Ralph H. Wheeler) then relieved the deputy grand master and took charge of the grand lodge.

Concerning the grand master's annual report he notices what is therein said as to the working of the advisory council, and the report of the committee thereon; notes the dispensation for new lodges reported, the ceremonial visits made, and corner stones laid, and says—

These are the indications of a busy year in this great and grand jurisdiction. * * *

He notes the adoption of our flag ceremonial, and the revision of our monitor, and says—

The text of the revision appears almost literally the same as our N. J. manual.

He takes note of the visit to grand lodge of our children from La Grange, and says—

We find ample justification for such an innovation in the body of Masonry, in the two group pictures of the children, who having rendered a short program retired from the platform amid the tears and applause of the brethren.

He is pleased to commend, in a way, the report of this writer, and while it would be in bad taste to re-produce here the good things he says, it would certainly be worse to omit to express gratitude for his good opinion.

Remembering the great trouble had in "*getting by*" the printer with the index last year, the following is reproduced for his benefit—

We beg leave to compliment our Brother Martin on the excellence and utility of his index to his annual review.

Further quoting, our brother says—

His examination for ours, (proceedings) for 1916 evidences his good will, and his careful scrutiny, except as to our grand secretary's salary.

Upon looking again at the paragraph from which the information, (mis-information) concerning salary was derived, (page 137, review for 1916,) with glasses on, the writer notices what escaped him a year ago, that grand lodge fixed the salary of the *deputy* grand secretary at $1,500.00, but nothing is said about that of the grand secretary.

The next Annual will be held at Trenton, April 17, 1918.

Brother William M. Thompson, Grand Master, Trenton; Brother Isaac Cherry, Grand Secretary, Trenton.

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## NEW MEXICO—1916

45 Lodges 39th Annual 3,737 Members

The volume of printed proceedings of this grand lodge is adorned by full page portraits of four of its past grand masters. Amos W. Pollard, Chester D. Stevens, Frank Johnson and Edward L. Medler.

The annual meeting was held at East Las Vegas, commencing on October 9, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over, by the grand master, Brother Amos W. Pollard, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers.

Lending dignity to the occasion, there were present nine past grand masters.

The grand master's address, with rather voluminous exhibits, fills forty-two pages of the proceedings, and recounts his official activities during the year, and presents his views on several matters.

Under the topic, "Fraternal Dead," he announced the death during the year of many brethren of local prominence, but none within the ranks of the grand lodge officers, or past grand masters.

In the exordium the grand master says—

Masonry has always been a potent influence for good in every community, a builder of character and of good citizenship, ever subservient and obedient to the laws of the state, and never wavering in its allegiance. It is a leveler of persons in every rank and state of life, recognizing every Mason as a brother and an equal. Our lives are but passing events in the world, pawns in the game of life, living entities today and gone tomorrow, but Masonry will continue in its present high plane so long as this world shall survive. The whole world may be at war, and nations and empires crumble and fall, but the ravages of warfare will not affect the principles upon which Masonry is founded, and it will rise from the ashes of such devastation and ruin unsullied and unchanged. Is it not an honor to be enrolled a member of an institution that stands for right living, correct thinking, a high standard of morality, with tolerance for the belief of every man, with charity for all mankind?

The grand master reported the granting of eighteen dispensations, permitting the holding of elections or installations at times other than as prescribed in lodge by-laws; ten to permit lodges to occupy halls jointly with other bodies; (such as the Order of Eastern Star, Knights of Pythias,) one to permit a lodge to confer the degree of Master Mason before the expiration of a lunar month; one to permit a lodge to change its place of meeting and one to permit a lodge to initiate eleven candidates at the same meeting.

Sixteen decisions are announced, most of them of slight consequence to any save those concerned, all of them being the grand master's construction of their code, and all of them approved by the Committee on Grand Master's Address, and the grand lodge, save one, which was disapproved. In this matter as reported by the grand master, it appeared that a certain petitioner for the degrees had resided in Santa Fe one month in 1912, two months in 1913, three months in 1914 and five months in 1915. Upon this showing the grand master held that he was the legitimate material of the lodge located at Santa Fe. In its dissent from this ruling the committee reported as follows—

Neither the question asked, nor the ruling of the grand master, convinces this committee that Mr. Groves (petitioner) resided in Santa Fe the required six months before his application was received by that lodge; and we recommend that this be referred to the in-coming grand master to ascertain if legal residence giving jurisdiction to Santa Fe Lodge has been complied with.

Under the topic, "Visitations," the grand master reported having divided the state into four grand divisions, assigning certain lodges to the deputy grand master, the senior grand warden, and the junior grand warden, respectively, and retaining to himself certain lodges for official visitation. By this method most of the lodges were visited officially during the year. The grand master says that this method was adopted to supplement, but not to supersede the visits to lodges by the district deputy grand masters. He further says—

The result obtained by this arrangement is very gratifying, and I am convinced that a continuation thereof would be beneficial to the interests of Masonry in this jurisdiction.

The grand master reported the conveyance of the home of "Kit Carson," deceased, the pioneer scout, and rather a distinguished Freemason in his time, to Bent Lodge No. 42 at Taos, pursuant to resolution adopted by grand lodge at its last annual meeting, and that said lodge had expended something above fourteen hundred dollars in repairs on the home, having borrowed six hundred dollars for this purpose from the grand lodge funds.

The grand master reported the payment of one hundred dollars to the Washington Memorial Association, and his attendance, by proxy, on the meeting of the association at Alexandria.

Under the head of "Interjurisdictional Courtesies," the grand master reported that the lodges of his obedience had conferred a number of degrees at the request of foreign lodges, and that foreign lodges had reciprocated by conferring degrees at the instance of New Mexico lodges in a number of cases, all of which had been arranged for between him and the several grand masters concerned. Under the same head he reported some interjurisdictional friction between the Grand Lodge of Texas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma, respectively, and the Grand Lodge of New Mexico.

The difficulty with Texas grew out of a claim by Eddy Lodge No. 21, of New Mexico against Rogers Prairie Lodge No. 540 of Texas, for re-imbursement for funds expended for relief of the widow of a brother alleged to have been a life member of the latter lodge,—a claim which was not honored by said lodge. The Texas lodge claimed to have granted a dimit to the brother many years ago, but admitted that his certificate of life membership, by inadvertence, had not been surrendered. The New Mexico lodge claims that the widow still has the certificate of life membership in the Texas lodge and on the strength of this showing rendered the necessary relief.

The friction with Louisiana was occasioned by the following, rather exceptional state of facts. A petitioner to a New Mexico lodge was elected to receive the degrees and the degree of Entered Apprentice was conferred upon him. Afterwards, and before advancing further he removed to Louisi-

ana, and after some time his lodge requested the Louisiana lodge where he then resided to confer upon him the degrees of Fellow Craft and Master Mason, out of courtesy.

Under the "Circulocution office" *regime,* the grand master of Louisiana had the prerogative of giving his sanction to this arrangement, but instead of permitting compliance with the request of the New Mexico lodge, he held that the brother was the material of the Louisiana lodge, whereupon without certificate or dimit, or waiver, from the lodge where he had been initiated, the degrees of Fellow Craft and Master Mason were conferred upon him, and he became a member of the Louisiana lodge. By this novel, not to say capricious, holding of the grand master of Louisiana, this brother is from the showing of the records of the Louisiana lodge a Master Mason, and a member of said lodge, and by that of the New Mexico lodge an entered apprentice, and a member thereof. If the law of Louisiana has been rightly interpreted, it would appear to be a bad law, and one likely to provoke trouble with neighboring jurisdictions.

The friction with Oklahoma originated in a matter similar to the affair with Texas above mentioned, i.e. a New Mexico lodge furnished relief and assistance to a member of an Oklahoma lodge, and made claim for reimbursement by the letter. The Texas lodge paid in part and repudiated the claim in part, urging that the New Mexico lodge had exceeded its authority, etc. If we would all get into our minds that ancient fundamental principle that "*Masonic relief and charity can be neither bought nor sold nor made the basis of a debt,*" and would refrain from getting this mixed with the practices of those orders which in this respect are run on the principle of the "*Quid pro quo,*" disagreements of this nature would be less frequent, and much friction would be avoided.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $5,623.00, of which the sum of $5,400.00 was dues from lodges. From the same report a net gain in membership of 173, during the year, is shown.

One lodge memorialized the grand lodge, showing that its master and both of its wardens had removed from the location of the lodge, that there was no one lawfully qualified to open the lodge, and the aid of the grand lodge was invoked in order to the holding of the annual meeting for the purpose of electing lodge officers.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, to which this memorial was referred, recommended that the incoming grand master endeavor to induce one of the three principal officers to attend the annual meeting and preside at the election, and if this could not be done, that the grand master preside at said meeting in person,—which was perhaps the only feasible way out of this most unusual tangle. The grand lodge concurred in this recommendation.

The same committee recommended, and the grand lodge concurred in its findings, that the controversies with the Grand Lodge of Texas, and the Grand Lodge of Louisiana above mentioned both be dropped, for the sake of preserving inter-jurisdictional harmony, at the same time approving the views of the grand master in both cases.

Brother Alonzo B. McMillen was elected grand master, and Brother Alpheus A. Keen was re-elected grand secretary.

Following the installation ceremonies, a past grand master's jewel was presented to Brother Amos W. Pollard, retiring grand master.

There is in the volume of proceedings a report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, consisting of ninety-nine pages, written by Brother John Milne. Three of his interesting pages are filled by his review of the Proceedings of Illinois, for 1915. Among other things, he says—

The grand master found that his foolish questions did not all come from Masons,

Whereupon he quotes what Brother Burnap reported concerning the man who desired to be relieved of the undesirable attentions of the lady, supposed to be a member of the O. E. S.; the man who invoked aid in the collection of a debt; the wife of a Master Mason who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband; and the man who desired to be made a Mason "At sight."

He takes note of the code of instructions, and forms for masonic trials, reported by the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, and adopted by the grand lodge, and says—

These ought to help materially in stamping out the many complicated questions which arise at the time of the trial.

In speaking of the review, he says—

Past Grand Master Owen Scott reviewer of the jurisdiction, speaking of conflicting laws often found, says "It might be advisable for the edict makers to get within speaking distance of the constitution."

The next Annual will be held at Las Cruces October 8, 1917.

Brother Alonzo B. McMillen, Grand Master, Albuquerque; Brother Alpheus A. Keen, Grand Secretary, Albuquerque.

## NEW SOUTH WALES—1916

263 Lodges 28th Annual 22,465 Members

In the volume at hand is a record of the printed proceedings of four quarterly meetings held on September 8, 1915, December 8, 1915, March 8, 1916, and June 14, 1916, respectively, and two special meetings, held on June 13, 1916, and July 7, 1916, respectively. These several meetings were presided over by the grand master, Brother William Thompson, with the exception of the special held June 13, 1916, which was presided over by the deputy grand master, Brother Thomas Anderson Stuart. The only business transacted at this last mentioned meeting was the nomination of grand lodge officers to be voted for at the stated quarterly meeting held next day.

At the meeting held September 8, 1915, the grand master delivered an address in which he reported the ceremonial visits made to lodges under his obedience, the opening of one new lodge, and the death of several brethren of local prominence. He also makes mention in this address of the passing of Brother Edward Cook, past grand master of Illinois.

The following interesting item is excerpted from the report of the Board of General Purposes—

A complaint was preferred by district inspector of No. 1, B. District, against the master of Lodge———— No.—— for balloting for candidates *in globo*. The matter was referred to the board, and the master admitted the fact that he had taken the ballot *in globo*. * * * The board found the complaint proven, and fined the worshipful master L. 2, 2 s.

This writer does not know exactly what balloting "*in globo*" means, but it must be something serious.

At the meeting of December 8, 1915, the grand master delivered an address recounting his visits to lodges; reporting the opening of two new lodges, and the number of dispensations issued. At this meeting the Board of General Purposes made a special report of a case where a member of a certain lodge had been convicted of a felony, and recommended his expulsion, pursuant to a certain clause in their code; whereupon, the recommendation was adopted, and the grand master declared the accused expelled. Whereby it would appear that if a member of a lodge has the bad fortune to be convicted of a felony in a court, it is tantamount to a trial and conviction by his lodge, according to their code.

At the quarterly meeting held June 14, 1916, the grand master delivered an address in which after reporting his ceremonial visits, he announced the death of several brethren of local prominence, and among the distinguished dead of foreign jurisdictions he made mention of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois. Mention is made also, of the death of Lord Kitchener, and high tribute is paid to his character. Two pages of this

address are filled with complaint of the evil, more or less prevalent everywhere presumably, of non-affiliation, or as he is pleased to name it, "Unattached Masons." At each quarterly meeting the grand master reported the special dispensations by him issued to lodges, and the purposes for which such dispensations were issued, and the total is as follows; to enable lodges to change time or place of meeting 160, to wear regalia 147, to initiate a Lewis 44, and for sundry other purposes of about the same consequence, 117, making a grand total of 468 for the year.

An appeal was reported by the Board of General Purposes, with its decision thereon in a case as follows: In a certain lodge a brother who was a past master had been elected senior warden; whereupon, the point was raised that a past master was ineligible for such office. The master ruled that he was eligible, whereupon the objecting brother appealed to the board. The report of this tribunal upheld the appeal, declared the election invalid, and ordered another election. It would appear that their motto is: Once a "*has been,*" *always a* "*has been.*" Another matter reported by the Board of General Purposes was the granting to the Y. M. C. A. of Sidney permission to circularize the lodges of New South Wales for assistance to support their "field service work." At this meeting occurred the annual election of grand lodge officers, which resulted in the re-election of Brother William Thompson, as grand master, with a full "slate" arranged at the special meeting held the day before. The grand secretary's name is not in the list of elective offices, from which fact it is presumed that this is an appointive office.

From the table of returns from lodges it appears that the sum of £2,091 was paid as dues, £4,182 on account of the benevolent fund, £4,725 on account of the war fund, with other smaller sums for divers other purposes. The table of returns also shows an apparent net gain in membership of 959.

At the special meeting held July 7, 1916, the grand lodge officers elect—

Were presented by the grand director of ceremonies and invested with their jewels of office.

At this meeting there were in attendance the representatives of fifty-three foreign grand bodies, Brother W. Beavis, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The report on foreign correspondence is subscribed by a committee consisting of five members, of which Brother S. Scott-Young is chairman. It consists of one hundred thirty-five pages, and is well written. In presenting its report, and urging the study thereof the, committee happily says—

It will remind readers that there are true and genuine masonic lodges outside our own borders, who are working with different wording, action and method (all of great interest to study), and who are sprung from the same stock, partakers of the same nature and sharers of the same hope, whose foundations are identical with our own, whose names and objects are

as noble and lofty, and whose influences are equally with our own, devoted to the uplifting and betterment of mankind, and the world in which we live. * * * We are apt to wrap ourselves in a cloak of insular conceit, and condemn any practice to which we are not accustomed; this because our mind becomes contracted and moves in a small orbit. If, however, we study the manners and customs of our fraternity in other lands with a desire for knowledge, we shall soon find that each point of difference is founded on some sound reason, or some ancient tradition, has its origin in some fact or legend, which like the familiar symbols common to us all, convey a high moral lesson. Such a study will enlarge our orbit, and we move in the more extended sphere, and survey the masonic world from pole to pole, we shall realize the vast dimensions of the great society of which we are units.

The review of the Proceedings of Illinois (1915), is considerate and fraternal. That part of Brother Burnap's annual report expressing the wish for concerted action in the promotion of universal peace is quoted with approval; also, note is taken of what is reported concerning the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital. Note is taken of the report of the Committee on Obituaries; of the report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, suggesting forms for trials, and the revision of our book of forms suggesting funeral ceremony for cases of cremation. Of the review it is said:

The foreign correspondence is again conducted by M. W. Bro. Owen Scott in his inimitable and forceful style, but we view with alarm his attachment with some other committee, and another name for the foreign correspondence.

Whereupon quotation is made from Brother Scott's "Preview."

Brother Arthur Bray, Grand Secretary, Castlereagh Street, Sidney.

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## NEW YORK—1917

861 Lodges 136th Annual 203,716 Members

Exceptionally fine full page pictures of Brethren Thomas Penny, grand master, and Stephen H. Johnson, past grand master, really adorn the clean and well printed volume of proceedings of this grand lodge. The annual meeting was held in New York City, commencing May 1, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form and presided over by the grand master, assisted by an unusual number of grand lodge officers, the record showing the presence of eleven grand chaplains, eight grand sword bearers and eight grand directors of ceremonies. Eight past grand masters lent dignity to the assemblage by their presence, and the ambassadors of seventy-five foreign grand bodies were seated in the diplomatic circle, Brother Henry H. Guttmann, the representative of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master delivered a comparatively brief address, recounting the year's activities, and expressing his views on matters masonic. In the exordium he refers to the great war, saying, in part—

The early days of our history presented problems which tested the courage and tried the souls of the men of that time. * * * Shoulder to shoulder they fought and shed their life's blood, to establish upon solid foundation these United States. * * * Now we are called upon to fight for the things which we have always carried nearest our hearts; for democracy: for the ultimate peace of the world; for the rights of nations, great and small; and the privilege of men everywhere to choose their own way of life and obedience. It is my sincere belief that in this crisis, perhaps the greatest in the history of our country, as in the earlier days, we will stand a united people, irrespective of the place of our birth or that of our forefathers, ready to dedicate our lives and our fortunes, everything that we are and everything that we have, for this our beloved country. * * *

Under the head of "The Fraternal Dead," the grand master announced a long list of names of brethren of local prominence in the craft who during the year "have passed beyond the veil and are at rest from their labors," none of whom, however were of the family of the grand lodge officers, or past grand masters. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, mention is made of Brother Albert B. Ashley, past grand master of Illinois.

The grand master reported the issuing of six dispensations for the formation of new lodges; of fourteen special dispensations for the purpose of enabling lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as in the by-laws prescribed and seven special dispensations for other purposes; the constituting of nine new lodges, all by proxy; the laying of four corner stones, two in person and two by proxy, and the dedicating of six masonic temples, one in person and five by proxy.

Under the topic, "The Home," the grand master said—

Our home in Utica is a splendid monument to the fraternity. It expresses in concrete form the great heart and generous instincts of the craft. However, like every human institution, it is ever growing and constantly evolving new conditions.

The grand master further said—

In the past we have had several bequests, but they have neither been very numerous nor very large. I believe the reason is because the craft has not had this matter specifically called to its attention, etc.

Whereupon the grand master recommended that all the lodges be furnished with forms of bequests, and that secretaries be required to mail such forms to members, inclosed with other formal notices.

This recommendation was agreed to by the committee and the grand lodge, and it was ordered that the grand secretary furnish necessary forms to the several lodges for the purpose indicated.

The membership at the home at date of report of the trustees, March 31, 1917, consisted of 171 men, 117 women, 83 boys and 67 girls, making a total of 438.

The expenditures on account of the home for the year amounted to $128,745.07, of which $119,185.61 was for operating expenses.

Under the topic, "After the Ritual, What?" the grand master said—

Is the ritualistic ceremonial work all there is to Masonry? Is the last chapter read, and the book closed when the Master Mason degree is conferred? These are days of careful analysis and testing of comparative values. * * * Men worth while cannot afford to waste time or effort on anything that does not add to the real progress of the world. * * * This great craft must arouse itself, and demonstrate to its membership and the world at large that it is in fact and in spirit, as well as in theory, broad in its charity, thorough in its morality and profound in its spirituality.

Following the grand master's address the grand lodge was entertained by a regular orgie of oratory. Brother Theodore Roosevelt was first introduced by the grand master, and delivered one of his characteristic speeches, abounding in Masonry, patriotism and good common sense. Next was introduced Brother, the Hon. William Renwick Ridell, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, who delivered a fine address. Next was introduced Brother Louis A. Watres, grand master of Pennsylvania, who made a short but excellent masonic address. He was followed by Brethren Sydney A. Luke, and William D. McPherson, grand master, and past grand master, respectively, of the Grand Lodge of Canada, who in turn made speeches. All these speeches are printed in the proceedings, and parts of them are highly interesting and inspiring. All are worthy of the place.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $251,082.85 of which $245,265.25 was derived from fees and dues from lodges, and the balance from divers other sources. The same report shows an apparent net gain in membership of 6,283.

The Judge Advocate reported twelve decisions, all approved by the grand master, and all referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence which will report on them next year. It appears that a decision becomes binding and effective upon the parties when rendered by the judge advocate and approved by the grand master, but does not go into effect as a precedent until it has been approved by the committee, and the grand lodge.

In one of this year's crop of decisions is announced what strikes one as novel doctrine. The decision is as follows—

Election of officers is void unless the lodge has been duly notified by a summons bearing the signature of either the master or the secretary of the lodge, with the seal of the lodge thereto affixed.

In most lodges the by-laws prescribe when, and the manner in which, the annual election shall be held, and no summons is necessary.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported favoring the recognition of the Gran Logia Cuscatian of San Salvador, and continuing for further investigation the application for recognition of the Grand Lodge of Panama.

This was apparently referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, the report of which sustained the recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence, and the grand lodge concurred.

The Committee on Correspondence in its report managed to work into the record a sort of a stump speech,—and a good one at that—saying in part—

For two hundred years the progress of Freemasonry has so closely kept pace with the progress of civilization and human liberty that it would be only fair and moderate to claim that the ancient craft has been at least a willing agent in the advance. Two hundred years now end in a welter of blood. Into this world conflict our American Republic has been gradually drawn through no desire of ours either for contest or conquest. In this conflict every Freemason of our jurisdiction—so cosmopolitan in its origin, so polyglot in its speech—stands devotedly loyal to the United States of America. In the state we shall be quiet and peaceable citizens, true to our government and loyal to our country. We shall not countenance disloyalty or rebellion, but submit to legal authority and obey the laws of the country in which we live. And in whatever of conflict we may be engaged as Free Masons we shall never forget that we war not against men, but against powers, not for conquest nor territory, but to establish human rights, to proclaim human liberty and promote human happiness. * * *

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters six new lodges were granted charters.

Ten pages of the proceedings are filled with the report of the grand historian, which on motion was received by the grand lodge and ordered printed.

The recital of facts, and particularly the conclusions of Brother Lang, the grand historian thereon, contribute to make it a very interesting and valuable document. Brethren Thomas Penney, grand master, and Edward M. L. Ehlers, grand secretary, were both re-elected.

The report on foreign correspondence is subscribed by Brethren William Sherer, Emil Frenken and John Lloyd Thomas, and was submitted to the grand lodge by the last named brother. The review is quite a brief one, consisting of barely ninety-five pages. In this report the Proceedings of Illinois (1916), are reviewed in a single page, or thereabouts, most of which is filled with quotations from Brother Wheeler's annual report. His opening remarks are quoted in full, and what is in the address contained concerning the "legally dead," is also reproduced. The work of this writer is referred to, and among other things it is said—

A useful feature of this report is the indexing of the various subjects under consideration in the review.

If it were known what an awful time the writer had in *getting by* his superior officer, Alonzo Dolan, with this index it might be understood how grateful the writer is to learn that it pleases these experienced craftsmen.

Brother THOMAS PENNEY, Grand Master, Buffalo; Brother Edward M. L. EHLERS, Grand Secretary, New York City.

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## NEW ZEALAND—1916

201 LODGES 27TH ANNUAL 13,622 MEMBERS

The printed account of the proceedings of this grand lodge is contained in a neat volume of 196 pages, from which it appears that the annual meeting was held at the Town Hall in Auckland, May 10, 1916.

The grand lodge was opened in ample form by Brother John Joseph Dougall, grand master, assisted by the other grand lodge officers, all of whom were in their places. Two past grand masters adorned the assemblage and the representatives of twenty-two foreign grand bodies occupied places in the diplomatic circle, Brother M. McLean, the envoy of Illinois, among them.

The grand master's address is not printed in full, but an account of it, edited by the grand secretary, is all that is given. From this it appears that announcement of the death, during the year, of Past Grand Master A. S. Russell and Honorary Past Grand Master F. C. Binns was made.

The further announcement is made that—

We were passing through exceedingly perilous times, and at the commencement of the war it was anticipated that the craft would not progress as in the past. It is pleasing to think that notwithstanding the war, our progress has been of such a character as justifies me in saying that Freemasonry has been prosperous during the past twelve months. We have opened only two (new) lodges it is true, but our funds have increased during the year at a greater rate than in any year in the history of the grand lodge. * * * Speaking generally of patriotic contributions, he doubted whether Great Britain had herself subscribed as much money as the Dominion of New Zealand, in proportion to population, and we Freemasons have fully shown that we appreciate what was required of us in regard to the care of those who would come back to us afflicted and distressed as a result of the war.

The account proceeds—

Another matter—not a very pleasant one—to which he desired to make reference, was the circular which he had issued during the year, asking the lodges to abstain from the use of alcoholic liquor during the war. He was not a prohibitionist, but at the same time he was not going to take back

one solitary paragraph of the appeal he had issued. He had been subjected to a certain amount of approbrium (meaning *opprobrium*, perhaps), and an attack had been made upon him in the "Craftsman." He had also received postcards which contained a slander on Freemasonry. * * * He had stated in Canterbury that he would not touch a drop of liquor in a lodge, or attend a lodge where it was used, and he repeated that statement in grand lodge. It might restrict his usefulness in Freemasonry but he could not help that.

This tends to indicate that in the matter of "Barleycorn" there is a wide divergence in the law, sentiment and custom prevailing in New Zealand among Masons from those which prevail in Illinois. Apparently, it is necessary there that a man be of "the stuff of which martyrs are made," in order to be capable of refraining from that which neither custom, sentiment nor law would, under any circumstances, permit him to do here. The stand taken by the grand master would be wholly unnecessary here, as our law prohibits the use of alcoholic drinks in lodges, war or no war.

Following the grand master's "Greeting" the president of the Board of General Purposes intimated that the—

First business before the grand lodge was the election of the grand master for the year 1916-1917, and he submitted the following list of brethren nominated to the various offices.

Here follows a list which includes a complete roster of grand lodge officers. Continuing the record further shows that—

M. W. Bro. J. J. Dougall, grand master, moved that M. W. Bro. Oliver Nicholson of Auckland be elected grand master. * * * M. W. Bro. Herbert J. Williams seconded the motion, and there being no discussion, the question was put and carried unanimously.

Whereupon, the president of the Board of General Purposes submitted a "Scheme of distribution" of the remaining grand lodge officers, which had been agreed upon and adopted by the board, whereby each masonic district should receive its due proportion of the grand lodge officers. Concerning the election the record concludes by showing that—

R. W. Bro. Bingham proposed that the scheme be approved, and the brethren named therein be elected to the offices for which they had been selected. The motion was duly seconded by V. W. Bro. E. D. Mosley, grand registrar, and carried unanimously.

This recital will serve to remind some of us of the good old time when it was said that the Grand Lodge of Illinois was operated from the platform.

The Board of General Purposes reported that in December, 1912, application was received for the recognition of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, but that it was then thought to be prudent to defer recognition. Application was renewed last year and after full consideration it was decided to grant recognition and an exchange of representatives. The same tribunal reported the granting of three charters for new lodges, two of which had been constituted, and the third was to be constituted at an early date.

The table of "Contributions" during the year shows the collection of £3,327, 19S. and 5d. on account of the General Fund; £768 6S. 6d. on account of the benevolent and £2,938 0S. and 7d. on account of the Widows' and Orphans' and Aged Masons' fund. The table of returns from lodges shows an apparent gain in membership of 187.

There is no report on foreign correspondence.

The next Annual will be held at Invercargill.

Brother Oliver Nicholson, Grand Master, Auckland; Brother Malcolm Niccol, Grand Secretary, P. O. Box 341, Auckland.

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## NORTH CAROLINA—1917

437 Lodges 130th Annual 25,910 Members

A full page picture of the grand master, Brother Claude L. Pridgeon, adorns the proceedings of this grand lodge, also pictures of Capt. N. M. Lawrence, Gustav Rosenthal, R. E. Austin, and John C. Drewry—the last named, late grand secretary, all deceased.

The annual meeting was held at Raleigh, commencing January 16, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, A. B. Andrews, supported by a full corps of grand lodge officers. There were present at the opening eleven past grand masters and the representatives of twenty-six foreign grand bodies, Brother Leo. D. Heartt, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address with rather lengthy exhibits covers fifty-seven pages of the proceedings. Under the topic, "Necrology," mention is made of the death of Brother John C. Drewry, for twenty-two years, and to the date of his death, grand secretary, and of other brethren of local prominence. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions mention is made of our late brethren, Albert B. Ashley and William H. Scott, past grand masters of Illinois.

Two clauses in the last will of the late grand secretary, Brother Drewry, are quoted by the grand master, whereby he bequeathed to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina ten thousand dollars, and in certain contingencies, additional sums of money, to be used by the grand lodge as in the will directed.

Seventy-four decisions are reported by the grand master, all relating to different sections of their code, and none of any particular consequence except to those concerned. One of them was disapproved, six were modified, and the balance were approved by the committee and the grand lodge. Four

of them relate to physical qualifications of candidates, and these are decided in accordance with the practice of most grand jurisdictions.

The one disapproved is as follows—

33. A petitioner who has attended a college in this state continuously for two years acquires a masonic residence at that place. * * *

One decision reported is somewhat interesting as tending to indicate the trend of legislation in some states and grand lodges, viz.—

Where a Mason is expelled or indefinitely suspended, he has no right to wear a masonic emblem. * * *

Public laws, 1915, Chapter 252, makes it a misdemeanor for any person who fraudulently or wilfully wears a badge or button of any secret organization.

In one of his decisions a rule is announced of very doubtful propriety, to-wit—

A master can, with the consent of the grand master, and the request of the lodge over which he was elected to preside, be installed in a lodge distant from the lodge from which he was elected to preside. Hence a brother who was a surgeon in the First North Carolina Regiment in camp at Camp Glenn could be installed in the lodge at Moorehead City, or any other near-by point, when requested by the lodge over which he was elected to preside, though it was 300 miles distant.

The grand master reported the arrest of one charter for cause. By virtue of authority given at the last preceeding session the grand master appointed seven "Associate Grand Chaplains," and he recommended that hereafter their names be placed upon the pay roll.

The grand master reported his attendance on the meeting of the Washington Memorial Association, at Alexandria, Va., and speaks in commendation of this project.

The grand master reported six "Special Communications" of the grand lodge, four for the purpose of laying corner stones, one for the purpose of celebrating St. John the Baptist's Day, and one for the purpose of conducting the funeral of the late grand secretary, Brother Drewry.

Dispensations were issued for the formation of four new lodges.

Concerning the "Oxford Orphan Asylum," the grand master said—

This institution, which cares for 375 children, is still doing the great and noble work, * * * which has characterized it for many years. * * * No person, much less a Mason, can visit this institution without becoming himself proud of the Masonic fraternity, and what it is there doing. * * *

Whereupon the grand master called attention to the need of repairing and rebuilding some of the cottages at this home.

Of the "Masonic and Eastern Star Home" it is said—

This institution continues to grow in usefulness and success. It is now caring for 30 guests, and other applications are pending.

The grand master called attention to the necessity of increasing the facilities for this institution, also.

Some observations are made by the grand master, under the topic, "Common Law of Masonry," which appeal to the conservative Freemason, as containing an element of truth. He says (in part)—

In these days when there is so much enacting of laws by Congress and State Legislatures, it is not unnatural that the similar idea has grown up in Masonry. If one will examine the ancient constitutions he will find a great deal that is fundamental in Masonry, and on those foundations practically all the masonic law can be built up. * * * It does seem that very often we have too much law, as the detailed enumeration of methods and courses leaves nothing to the common sense of a Mason to work out.

The grand master is without doubt right about this. Too many of us think the way to hasten the Millennium is through the method of "Be it enacted," etc., rather that by working out in our own lives the fundamental rules and principles of Masonry.

From the grand secretary's report it appears that four lodges surrendered their charters during the year; that he collected from lodges the sum of $27,631.77, of which $27,176.30 was for dues, and that the net gain in membership during the year was 880.

Following the grand secretary's report in the printed proceedings is an oration delivered by Brother F. C. Harding, grand orator, the head to which consists of three questions, namely—

First: Whence Came Masonry?; Second: What Is It? Third: What Is It Doing?

The learned brother's answer to the first interrogatory is much more interesting than practical; he says—

The answer takes us backward through the long corridors of time into the dim vista of the past, and plunges us into an unending sea of myth and (legendary) lore of long ago. * * * There was a time not many years ago when it was thought Masonry had its origin co-incident with the building of King Solomon's Temple, but in recent years with light added to light we have traced, not its origin, but its existence back a thousand years, yea, three thousand years beyond the building of the temple, etc. * * *

Further samples of the brother's oratory would interest our Illinois brethren, but this must suffice.

The dentist who officiates at the Orphan's Home at Oxford made a very comprehensive report, which is printed in the proceedings; from it the following interesting statistics are derived: Number of teeth extracted 140, number of fillings inserted 457, number of cleanings given the children's teeth 422. It would appear that one cleaning a day ought to be sufficient for the orphans.

In the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence is found a recommendation which commends itself as a safe and proper rule of practice. It is as follows—

The committee recommends that in the future the grand master do not report any decision made by him, unless such decision involves the construction of masonic law, and unless such decision was made by him upon an appeal as provided by law. The committee further recommends that where a decision only requires the citation of an existing law or regulation the same be not reported by the grand master.

The recommendation was adopted.

Brother Claude L. Pridgen was elected grand master, and Brother William W. Willson was elected grand secretary.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Brother Marshall DeLancey Haywood, and consists of one hundred forty-two pages, and is well written. The Proceedings of Illinois for 1914 and 1915 are briefly reviewed, and the brother's treatment is cordial. Of the grand master's annual report (1914), he says—

Grand Master Burnap's annual address is one of considerable length,—a length made necessary by the size and activity of the grand jurisdiction over which he presides.

He quotes, in part, what is said in the address concerning the Washington Memorial Building (proposed), and is of the opinion that Brother Burnap was fully justified in what is therein said.

He says—

We take what might be called an ancestral interest in Illinois Masonry.

Because of the fact that one of the constituent lodges of Illinois was originally chartered by the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, and the Grand Lodge of Tennessee was chartered by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. Concerning the proceedings for 1915, he says—

Grand master Burnap makes the justified complaint which we hear from so many grand masters that dozens of letters are written to request official rulings by him when the information could be easily obtained by reference to the code. One request, however, shot at the master is a case where the code is properly silent, etc. * * *

Whereupon he takes note of the case reported by Brother Burnap of the gentleman who requested that he be relieved of the undesirable attentions of the lady supposed to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and says—

If this lady continues to make trouble for our Illinois friend, let him persuade her to move to North Carolina, where attentions from the ladies are never annoying and undesirable.

The 131st Annual will be held at Raleigh, January 15, 1918.

Brother Claude L. Pridgen, Grand Master, Wilmington; Brother William W. Willson, Grand Secretary, Raleigh.

## NORTH DAKOTA—1917

113 Lodges 28th Annual 10,668 Members

The annual communication of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota was held at Grand Forks, commencing June 19, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened by Brother William J. Reynolds, deputy grand master, it appearing that the grand master, Brother Alexander B. Taylor, was detained in Fargo by imperative business matters. The record shows that the acting grand master, assisted by the grand officers opened the grand lodge *in ample form*, with prayer by the grand chaplain, and the *fervent singing of "America,"* all of which sounds good, except the *ample form*, which, according to Brother Jenks of Wisconsin, may be of questionable propriety. A telegram from the grand master was read, in which regret of his inability to be present was expressed, whereupon, the first business was the appointment, pursuant to resolution adopted, of a committee on "Patriotic Service," to which all matters relating to the war should be referred. The grand master's address was read by the acting grand master, and covers thirty pages of the proceedings. In the opening it is said—

Since last we met, our beloved country has been brought face to face with the terrible prospect of a long war. This will be a testing time. Most of us have affiliations with one or another of the European countries now in the struggle, and we feel our sympathies going out to them, but now our interests must be with our country, our America, and as true men we must ever remember that we are American citizens.

Announcement was made of the death during the year of one past grand master, Brother Thomas Louis Foulks.

In the address is reported the constituting of four lodges, all by proxy, and the dedication of one temple, also by proxy. Under the topic, "Masonic Districts and Deputies," it is said—

Eleven district meetings have to my knowledge been held. * * * From the information received the district meetings have been successful beyond the largest expectations. The attendance has varied from one hundred to two hundred and fifty. A fine spirit of brotherhood has prevailed, and much greater enthusiasm aroused for our great fraternity. * * *

Under the head of "Chain Letters," is reported the issuing of a circular letter by the grand master, concerning an "Ancient Prayer," the conclusion of which circular is as follows—

We urge you to pay no attention whatever to such chain letters, and to not consider the request, not to break the chain, as personal in a way. *Break the chain every time.*

Under the head of "Rituals," it is said, in part—

I wish to call attention to the fact that the supply of rituals is nearly exhausted. * * * An edition of one thousand copies was published early in

1916, and there remains in the hands of the grand secretary less than two hundred copies. * * *

The writer having an intimation that Brother Hoover considers that any comments on the above in consonance with the Entered Apprentice ob. for instance would by him be considered discourteous, there is nothing to be said, but it is difficult to decline *taking a shot at* printed or cipher rituals every time the opportunity presents itself.

Under the head of "Decisions," the grand master submitted opinions rendered in two cases, one in relation to the advancement of candidates, upon a showing of proficiency, and one in relation to physical qualifications of candidates, both of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge, and both of which were right. In the latter case he decided that a person who—

Cannot hear ordinary conversation, and in order to make him hear a person must speak louder than the ordinary conversational tone, and who cannot hear a whisper in either ear, unless it is so loud that a bystander can hear it, * * * is ineligible.

Following this, the grand master suggested—

It has occurred to me that the Jurisprudence Committee might very well elaborate and make a little more definite the present law. I would recommend that they do so.

The committee reported however as follows—

Your committee deems the special by-law on physical qualifications sufficiently clear and explicit without further elaboration.

Reverently, the address closes as follows—

I will close this report with the beautiful prayer of Cardinal Newman, and make it my best wish for this grand lodge: May the Lord support you all the day long of this troublous life, until the shadows lengthen and evening comes, and this busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and your work is done. Then may God grant to you a safe lodging and an holy rest, and peace at last. Amen. * * *

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $11,375.00 on account of the General Fund, and of $21,307.58 on account of the Relief Fund. This last named amount includes the sum of $10,000.00 transferred from the General Fund to the Relief Fund. The same report shows a net gain in membership of 613.

There is a beautiful report of the Committee on Necrology, and in the list of illustrious dead of other grand jurisdictions appears the name of Brother Albert B. Ashley, past grand master of Illinois.

There is a report of the grand librarian which tends to show that the grand lodge has already quite an aggregation of books, some part of which is for circulation among the lodges desiring the same. In the report it is stated—

The year has been a busy one and in many ways a profitable one. Through the circulation and traveling libraries we have reached approximately 50 per cent of the lodges of the state in some way or other. This may be regarded only as a promise of what the future ought to bring forth. * * *

Brother William J. Reynolds was elected grand master, and Brother Walter L. Stockwell was re-elected grand secretary.

The Committee on Patriotic Service reported a preamble, which in no uncertain terms proclaims the patriotism and Americanism of the committee, and a series of five resolutions. The resolutions commit the grand lodge to the support of the President of the United States, the purchase of $5,000.00 worth of Liberty bonds, the donation of $1,000.00 to the Red Cross Society, the donation of $1,000.00 to the Army Y. M. C. A., and the assessment of one dollar *per capita* upon the lodges for a relief fund. In the conclusion of this report it is said—

In this manner the Grand Lodge of North Dakota goes on record as standing by the President and administration in every way. May the American sword which has never been drawn save in the cause of liberty, never be sheathed save in victory. May the American flag forever float over a free and united people until it shall be forever furled and laid at the feet of the "King of Kings," and time shall be no more.

Upon the motion for the adoption of the preamble and resolutions, the grand master called for a rising vote. There was an instant and enthusiastic response. America was sung again with increasing volume and fervor. * * *

The record shows that—

The various grand representatives of other grand lodges near this grand jurisdiction were called up by the grand master. In a few well chosen words he greeted them, and asked them to convey to the several jurisdictions which they represent the best wishes and fraternal good will of the grand lodges, etc. * * *

Among the thirty-four distinguished brethren in the list thus saluted was Brother G. George Guthrie, the envoy of Illinois.

The proceedings contain the report of the exercises at a meeting held for the purpose of commemorating the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Grand Lodge of England, among the most important of which is an address delivered by Brother Walter L. Stockwell, and which is printed in full in the proceedings. It is historical in character, is prepared with great care and is well worthy of preservation and careful perusal.

A prize oration entitled "America's Last Frontier," by Howard R. Huston, is also printed in the proceedings, and furnishes excellent and inspiring reading.

The volume contains also the minutes of meetings of the "Past Grand Masters' Association" held June 20, 1917, and the "Masonic Veterans' Association," held the same day.

There is a report on foreign correspondence, written, as heretofore by Brother William E. Hoover, past grand master. He writes a good report, and if it be open to criticism at all, the objection would be, there should be more of it, as it fills only a little above one hundred pages.

In his review of Illinois, he takes note of our opening exercises, the flag ceremony, the music, and the remarks, and motion of Brother Owen Scott, concerning the music. Continuing, he says—

The grand master read his report, after the preliminary report of the Committee on Credentials and the appointment of the various committees. In some jurisdictions it is called "Annual Address"; in others it is called "Allocution"; in Illinois it is called a "Report," and that is what Grand Master Wheeler read, and it was a mighty good one. Last year we quoted in full his proposed policy of administration as announced in his speech of acceptance of the office of grand master, and now we reproduce his report on the operation of the plan.

Whereupon he proceeds to quote what is in the report contained under the topic, "Advisory Council," he reproduces what is in the report said under the topic "Distribution of Work," also what is said concerning "The Flag." He takes note of the report of the grand master concerning the homes, and the warning reported concerning lodge bulletins, or "Lodge Publications" and quotes in full what is reported concerning "Political Discussion" in lodges. Of the oration he says—

The oration was delivered by Brother Oscar A. Kropf, and it was a most excellent discourse. * * *

Whereupon he proceeds to quote a page from the oration.

Concerning the report on foreign correspondence he says—

This year we miss Past Grand Master Owen Scott from the company of fraternal correspondents; Brother Charles H. Martin writes the reviews for Illinois. His report covers 251 pages of well written and careful observation. * * * He is awfully perplexed over the healing of a certain brother; and he seems to lay aside those delightful virtues of courtesy and kindness, —are they not old-fashioned too—when he reads that the grand lodge controls and produces the ritual.

The writer might as well admit that he has a disposition, possibly too ready to attack so-called "Masonic Credentials," derived from an admittedly clandestine lodge, and printed or cipher rituals, no matter by whom controlled, but he is not conscious of being more combative with regard to these matters, than every brother should be who is under the sanctions of masonic obligations, and the masters' installation vows. In the comments referred to, our brother may be assured that there was no intention, or conscious purpose, to appear unkind or discourteous to any person, but, "While

memory holds a seat in this distracted globe,'' those matters, and tendencies which contribute to make Masonry appear cheap, especially if they appear to contravene its obligations, cannot be passed over as matters which are nobody's business.

In an important sense, they are the business of all regular Masons, and in particular of the reviewer. It is a part of his business to call attention to these tendencies, as a part of his service to the craft at large. The attention of our brother is courteously and fraternally directed to the current review of Kentucky, (commencing on page 92 of this report,) where the views of Brother Hart, Committee on Correspondence for California, and Brother Clark, of the same committee for Kentucky, on the matter of printed and cipher rituals is discussed, where he will find the notions of this writer are not singular, even though his language may seem offensively frank.

Brother William J. Reynolds, Grand Master, Westhope; Brother Walter L. Stockwell, Grand Secretary, Fargo.

## NOVA SCOTIA—1916

76 Lodges 51st Annual 6,855 Members

A well printed volume of 482 pages contains the record of the activities of this grand lodge for the year. It is adorned by the full page pictures of Brethren Donald F. Fraser, grand master; Theodore Augustus Cossmann, past grand master (deceased), and Joseph R. Bennett, deputy grand master, the two last named being in full regalia, of the English type, gauntlets and all. The annual meeting was held in the basement of the Baptist Church, Bear River, commencing June 14, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Two past grand masters were present, also the representatives of twenty foreign grand bodies, Illinois not represented.

Brethren J. T. Whitlock, past grand master of New Brunswick, and Walter P. Doull, past grand master of Prince Edward Island, were present at the opening, and the record states that—

They were accorded grand honours and were invited to take seats in the Grand East.

The proceedings show that the grand lodge formed in procession, and headed by the Bear River brass band, marched to St. John's Anglican Church, where a sermon was delivered by the grand chaplain, Brother Edward A. Harris. The record gives no intimation as to why the members of the

grand lodge marched from the Baptist Church to the Anglican Church in order to hold divine service. Possibly it was in order to "preserve the parity," as the late Grover Cleveland might say, between St. John the Baptist, and St. John the Evangelist. The sermon as delivered is printed in the proceedings, and for a Christian, is very good reading, but if there are any Jews among the members of the craft of that grand jurisdiction it is conceived that they would consider it very inappropriate for a masonic occasion. This is suggested, without any purpose to criticise the discourse. In the course of the sermon our brother voiced a principle which cannot be too strongly emphasized, nor too frequently stated; he said—

Now while a Mason is to be a loyal citizen of his own land, and while his teachings are all set against sedition, the masonic horizon is wider than the nation; out and over national barriers the hand is stretched for the mystic grip; in defiance of racial antipathies the mystic tie is to hold, etc. * * *

This is a fine statement of a great principle, and is particularly interesting at this time, set in contrast with the recent order of the Grand Lodge of England forbidding Masons of Hungarian, Turkish, Austrian or German birth from attending any masonic assembly held under its constitution, including the meetings of lodges of which they are members.

The grand master's address, with the numerous exhibits, covers thirty-eight pages, and recounts his official acts, and the recommendations he suggested.

Announcement, with appropriate expressions of sorrow, was made of the death of Past Grand Master Theodore A. Cossmann.

Concerning the war the grand master said in part—

In the eloquent address of the grand master at our last communication, he made fitting reference to the great war, etc. * * * Twelve months have elapsed, and still the conflict wages with all its intensity; in the meantime the bounds of the national combat have been extended, while the enemy has introduced into the warfare a savagery and disregard for the safety of women and children that in its wanton cruelty forever places them beyond the pale of Christian civilization. * * * When the struggle shall have ceased there will be a greater than ever duty imposed upon the members of this world-wide fraternity. Responsibility will rest heavily upon this body for the future peace and security of the world. This institution, which has the welfare and good of mankind as a reason for its existence, must exert its moderating influence. This society composed of good men of all religions and races must become a potential force in achieving even closer union of mankind. Freemasonry, the greatest brotherhood of man, founded on the highest moral teachings, must then play its part in controlling the rage and resentment of maddened people that having over-ridden the chivalry of religion and principles of our noble order have driven the world into a welter of combat and revolting atrocity, etc. * * *

The grand master reported the granting of two dispensations to form new lodges, one of which is termed a "Lodge of Research," being organized for the purpose of promoting the study of the various phases of the

institution. It will confer no degrees, and all its members are also members of other lodges. Fifty-nine special dispensations, are reported, for purposes such as to enable lodges to attend divine service in lodge regalia, to elect and install officers, and to confer degrees "out of time," and like purposes.

The grand master reported that he had made twenty-six official visits to the lodges under his obedience, and fills ten pages of his address with an account of the good times had on the occasion of these visits. Two decisions are reported, both of which were approved by the committee, and the grand lodge. The first one would appear unique. The case was as follows: At the conclusion of the ob. the candidate, being requested to kiss the Bible, refused to do so; and the lodge required the grand master to decide how it should proceed. He decided correctly (perhaps), that the candidate could proceed no farther.

The second decision was a construction of their law as to physical qualifications, which appears from the text of the decision to be similar to ours.

Concerning the home, the grand master reported—

So much has been said and written regarding this magnificent institution in which I feel we should take greater pride, that I sometimes hesitate for fear further allusions may not be properly understood. * * * With each visit to the home I became more and more impressed with the fine practical results that are there attained.

Elsewhere it appears that the cost of maintenance during the year was $9,118.38. Of this sum $3386.50 was derived from the *per capita* tax of the members, but it is not apparent how the balance was raised. There is no report of the number of residents in the home. The grand secretary's table of returns shows the collection during the year of $9,679.85 of which $5,228.75 was dues from lodges. The same report shows a net gain in membership of 90.

The deputy grand master made a report to the grand lodge, consisting almost entirely of an account of the ceremonial visits he had made.

The activities of the session revolved largely around a sort of disagreement with Royal Standard Lodge 398, which works under the Grand Lodge of England. It appears to have had a working agreement with the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, whereby it should have exclusive jurisdiction over persons in the British army and navy, and the lodges of Nova Scotia over all other persons. Some of the local lodges initiated certain persons who were seamen on Canadian vessels, and certain members of the Canadian militia. This was by the master of Royal Stanard Lodge claimed to be a violation of the agreement, who served notice upon the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia as follows—

I shall in future receive application from any good man be he army, navy, or civilian and if approved at the ballot shall initiate him or them into Masonry under the Grand Lodge of England.

A committee was by order of the grand lodge appointed for the purpose of taking up the matter with the Grand Lodge of England.

The grand master suggested the need of a uniform ritual, and on motion it was ordered that he appoint a special committee to consider and report on this subject at the next annual meeting.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported as follows—

There having been nothing referred to this committee during the past year, either in the way of grand master's decisions, or otherwise, we have nothing whatever to report. We cannot, however, let the opportunity pass without expressing the great loss not only the Jurisprudence Committee, but the grand lodge, as well, has met with in the death of M. W. Bro. Theodore A. Cossmann, etc. * * * (a member of the committee at the time of his death).

In other words, the committee had nothing whatever to do, but sorely missed the commanding ability of Brother Cossmann in the doing of it. If in this report the aim was to perpetrate a species of humor on the passing of their distinguished colleague, they must have strange notions of what is appropriate in the way of humor.

The grand lodge ordered the granting of a charter to one lodge (Lodge of Research), and continued one lodge under dispensation.

On motion it was ordered by the grand lodge (unanimously), that the rank of past district deputy grand master be conferred upon three, presumably worthy brethren. The rank was conferred by the grand master, and the brethren thus honored thanked the grand lodge.

Brother Don F. Fraser, grand master, and Brother Thomas Mowbray, grand secretary, were both re-elected to their respective stations.

There is a report on foreign correspondence from the pen of Brother James C. Jones, assistant grand secretary, which reviews the proceedings of other grand lodges, and consists of 184 pages of well prepared matter. Three of his pages are devoted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois (1915). He characterizes Brother Burnap's annual report as "An able and eloquent address," and quotes from the opening, what is therein said concerning the European war, and concerted action for the promotion of universal peace. He reproduces from the address, the cases therein reported of the gentleman who desired to be relieved of the attentions of the lady, supposed to be a member of the Eastern Star; the man who invoked the aid of the grand master in the collection of a debt; the wife, who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband, and the twice rejected man who desired to be made a Mason "At sight."

Of the review he says—

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is very interesting, and shows a great deal of time, care and thought spent in reviewing the various proceedings of many fraternal grand lodges.

Nova Scotia for 1914 is well taken notice of, and like a number of sister jurisdictions apparently do not take too kindly to our continuing the custom in opening our sessions with church service, etc. * * *

The next annual meeting will be held at Truro.

Brother Donald Fisher Fraser, Grand Master, New Glasgow; Brother Thomas Mowbray, Grand Secretary, Halifax.

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## OHIO—1916

546 Lodges | 107th Annual | 107,039 Members

The most profusely illustrated volume of proceedings which has reached this table is that of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, the full page portrait of the grandmaster, Brother Joel C. Clore, being on the fly-leaf, and further along a small picture of the retiring grand master, Brother Frank H. Marquis. It also contains cuts of the power plant, the boys' cottage, the girls' cottage, and the hospital at the home, and ten masonic temples or halls at as many different cities in Ohio.

The annual meeting was held at Columbus, commencing October 18, 1916, and was opened in ample form by the grand master, Brother Frank H. Marquis, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Preceding the opening a programme was rendered as follows: Song, America, led by Shrine chorus; prayer by grand chaplain; address of welcome by the mayor of the city; address of welcome on behalf of local Masons by Past Grand Master Brother Charles J. Pretzman. Responses to these addresses by the grand master and past grand master, Brother Nelson Williams. The record states that—

The addresses and responses were so exceptionally eloquent and appropriate that they are inserted as a part of the proceedings.

Whereupon the said addresses appear in full. The following from the deliverance of Past Grand Master Williams must be reproduced—

On St. John the Baptist's Day, in the year 1717, the first masonic grand lodge, recognizing only the symbolic degrees, was organized in the city of London, England, and from that day to this hour no legitimate grand lodge has ever found it necessary to apologize for its existence. * * * If you require further proof as to the character of your guests we point you to the fact that on the 4th day of January, 1808, more than one hundred and eight years ago, this grand lodge was organized in the town of Chillicothe, by the pioneer fathers of the Ohio valley and the Connecticut Western Reserve, and from

that day to this hour its record has been one of obedience to law; the purity of its purpose has been free from stain, and there has been no decay in the pillars of its mighty fabric. The lodges represented in its organization were composed of the truest specimens of Nature's noblemen. They had been driven together by a common danger, and drawn together by a common sympathy. They carried the rituals of Freemasonry *in their heads,* its spirits in their hearts, and their lives were living epistles attesting the excellence of the virtues she enjoins. * * *

This writer regards the above quotation as a commendable sample of Buckeye oratory, and as strictly true, and for the benefit of those who carry rituals in their pockets, has taken the liberty to underscore the words *in their heads.*

The grand master's address fills twenty-two pages, and recounts the activities during his term. In the opening, among other things, he said—

I had hoped a year ago, that I could say today that the world again dwells in peace; that the swords had indeed been beaten into plow-shares and the spears into pruning hooks, but the sanguinary struggle continues with ever-increasing force and violence, and no man knoweth the end thereof. Might is right and the law of the cave-man is in force wherever the black plague of war has spread. God grant that the day be not far distant when the blindness of hate will disappear, when brotherly love, relief and truth will prevail, when temperance and justice will be enthroned, and man again love his fellow man. * * *

Under the head of "Necrology" mention is made of the passing of many Ohio brethren, of local prominence, but none within the circle of the official family. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, mention is made of the passing of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

The grand master reported the issuance of six dispensations to form new lodges during the year, and the issuance of one hundred special dispensations. Many of the latter would not have been necessary under the code of Illinois, and a few of them would (perhaps), not have been granted in Illinois at all. The grand master reported the dedication of seventeen new temples and halls during the year, nine in person and eight by proxy, and the laying of ten corner stones, all in person.

Under the head of "Membership" the grand master said—

The report of the grand secretary will show a net gain of five thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and a total membership of one hundred and seven thousand and thirty-nine Master Masons. The largest gain and enrollment in our history. While we are gratified at this evidence of material prosperity, let me admonish you not to seek numbers, but quality. * * * By impressive and deliberate rendition of the ritual strive to make Masons, and not members. First impressions are lasting; it therefore lies entirely in the hands of the masters, wardens and brethren of today, which of these two classes will predominate in the future. * * *

Concerning "Masonic Home" the grand master said, in part—

On August 16, 1916, I visited the masonic home at Springfield, and attended the summer meeting of the board of trustees. I was pleased and gratified at the marked improvement in the general conditions at the home, and noted with satisfaction the character of the construction of the buildings now in course of erection. * * *

It appears elsewhere, from the report of the superintendent, that at date of the report there were at the home 94 men, 63 women, 31 boys and 23 girls. From the report of the treasurer of the home it appears that the sum of $45,779.74 was expended for maintenance during the year, and for "Betterments" the sum of $93,958.21.

Under the topic, "Decisions," the grand master reported—

NONE. All requests for opinion or decision have been satisfactorily answered by reference to our existing law. I do not believe in further complicating our code by unnecessary decisions from the grand master.

It would appear that among masonic jurists there could be no two opinions as to the soundness of the grand master's views in this regard. They are worthy of commendation, and his example is one that may with safety be followed.

Under the head of "Visitations" the grand master said—

I have made thirty-six visits, and was in every instance received with splendid hospitality. In making these fraternal visitations I endeavored to cover as much of our grand jurisdiction as possible, by meeting at some central point, and inviting all the surrounding lodges. In this manner I was enabled to meet with the members of over two hundred and fifty lodges. A visit from the grand master means much to a lodge, etc., etc. * * *

Under the head, "Past Master's Degree," the grand master reported his action concerning certain resolutions adopted by the grand lodge at a previous meeting enjoining the conferring of the Past Masters' degree on masters elect, who had not received the same in a chapter of R. A. M. Each lodge was to furnish the district lecturer, on the night of the election, with the name of the master elect, and report whether, or not he had received the Past Masters' degree.

After the receipt of these names the district lecturer was to call a special convocation of past masters at some central point in his district, at which meeting he was to preside, calling in all masters elect who had not received the degree, confer same upon them, and furnish each with the required certificate, which certificate they were instructd to have spread upon the minute book of their respective lodges, etc. * * *

The reports to the grand master, showing compliance with this order, indicate that of the masters elected 397 had received the Past Masters' degree in a chapter, and that all the balance of them appeared at the several "Convocations" called, and received the degree. It would appear that in

localities where this archaism is preserved, it is adhered to with greater tenacity than the weightier matters of the law.

Concerning "Masonic Study and Research" the grand master says—

Of recent years the study side of Masonry has made vigorous strides. Abroad and at home there has been turned upon our beloved fraternity the far-reaching eye of devoted research. Other jurisdictions in these United States are alive to the situation and have special committees busy. I earnestly urge that all members heartily support the National Masonic Research Society of Animosa, Iowa, and all such agencies for better knowledge of our traditions, our jurisprudence, our symbolism, and all indeed that for us is bound up in the honored name and purposes of the craft. That every Mason should have his own library of reliable masonic books, is I hold most desirable. In his possession should be the Ohio history, code, and monitor, at least. * * *

In his "Conclusion" the grand master indicates his appreciation of the exalted position of grand master by an apt allusion, saying—

Mark Twain has said, in speaking of the knights of old, and the days of chivalry: "Armor is heavy, yet it is a proud burden, and a man standeth straight in it."

So it is with the position of the grand master; the labor is heavy and exacting, with ever increasing responsibility, yet we complete the year with gratitude, for the sake of the honor conferred upon the individual, his mother lodge, his native city, and also for the opportunity he has during his term of office of furthering the advancement of our beloved institution by earnest work and effort.

Indicative of a condition approximating the ideal in Buckeye Freemasonry, the record shows that the official position of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances was at this session a mere sinecure, as this committee made report that—

No matter claiming its attention during the present session has been referred to us.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, in reply to a question submitted at a former session, asking for a construction of a certain section of their code, reported as follows—

No Ohio lodge can receive by affiliation any Mason residing in another grand jurisdiction and holding a dimit from a lodge in another grand jurisdiction without the written consent of the lodge in whose jurisdiction he resides.

In Illinois the rules and regulations as to residence of petitioners for the degrees do not apply to master masons petitioning for membership, and it is conceived that we are in accord with the general law.

An amendment was submitted, and being seconded by the requisite number of representatives, will go over to the next annual meeting for action, as follows—

Subordinate lodges shall have the right to send printed notices through the mail in sealed envelopes to their members, giving names, age, occupation and place of residence of all candidates for degrees or admission on dimit.

The permissive rule which this proposed legislation, if enacted would establish is, to say the least of it, of doubtful expediency. It would appear that members of a lodge, who have not sufficient interest in lodge affairs to induce them to attend its stated meetings would not likely be interested in the notices it would permit.

The annual election of grand lodge officers was held on the second day of the session and resulted in the election of Brother Joel C. Clore as grand master and the re-election of Brother J. H. Bromwell as grand secretary.

It appears from the record that Past Grand Master Wm. B. Melish introduced to the grand lodge Brother U. C. Deardorf, the oldest living Mason in Ohio, he having attained the age of ninety years, and having been a Master Mason for sixty-seven years.

The grand lodge rose and welcomed the brother, to which he responded feelingly of his long and pleasant experience as a member of the order.

The next annual meeting will be held at Springfield on the third Wednesday in October, 1917.

On motion a committee was appointed to prepare and present the usual past grand master's jewel to the retiring grand master, Brother Frank H. Marquis.

There is a very readable report on masonic correspondence, consisting of 165 pages from the pen of Brother Nelson Williams. In the exordium he says—

Perhaps the one thing that stands out most prominent, and the one thing which casts a dark shadow over an otherwise picture of peace, harmony, good will and contentment, is the action of the Mother Grand Lodge of England in barring from the lodge-rooms of its subordinates those of their own members who were born in those countries which are at war with England. The action of the grand lodge is so foreign to every conception of masonic duty and masonic teaching, and is so antagonistic to the idea of real masonic brotherhood, that it shocks us as we contemplate it, etc. * * *

His treatment of Illinois is cordial and considerate, four of his interesting pages being devoted to a review of our proceedings for 1915.

From the annual report of the grand master he notices what is said of the dedication of the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital, and the donation of two hundred acres of land to the home.

Of the review he says—

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence was again submitted by Past Grand Master Owen Scott.

Whereupon he proceeds to quote from Brother Scott's "Preview." He further says—

We greatly regret to know that he is vacating his place at the Round Table, but shall be pleased to give his successor the glad hand of welcome.

Many share the good brother's regret, and at least one individual is duly thankful for the qualification with which his expression closes.

Brother Joel C. Clore, Grand Master, Cincinnati; Brother J. H. Bromwell, Grand Secretary, Cincinnati.

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## OKLAHOMA—1917

443 Lodges 9th Annual

The book of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by pictures of Brethren Samuel W. Hogan, grand master, Thomas Chauncey Humphry, past grand master, and committee on foreign correspondence, Henry M. Furman, past grand master, deceased, and De Forrest D. Leach, past deputy grand master, deceased.

The annual meeting was held at Oklahoma City, (presumably) commencing February 21, 1917, and the grand lodge was presided over by the grand master, Brother Arthur James Weir. Preliminary to the opening an elaborate programme was rendered by the children from the home consisting of music by the home band, readings, and singing by the girls from the home, etc. The record states that—

The whole programme was most creditably rendered and was much appreciated by those who listened, who were unstinted in their praise and applause, and all felt proud of the achievements of our children.

There were present at the opening five past grand masters of Indian Territory, seven past grand masters of Oklahoma territory and six past grand masters of the state of Oklahoma. Thirty-six representatives of foreign grand bodies were in attendance, Brother Fred S. Walker, the envoy of Illinois, of this number. It appears that the assemblage was further dignified by the presence, as a distinguished visitor, of Brother L. D. Kemper, past grand master, and personal representative of the grand master, of Arkansas, who was admitted and received with honors due to his station and his important mission.

During the delivery of the grand master's address a rather remarkable, not to say spectacular, scene was enacted. In the exordium the grand master said—

As Masons, let us not fall short of our whole duty to God, our country and ourselves, and guard well such splendid privileges, and stand by the colors, the greatest flag of all, the stars and stripes. * * *

Further quoting—

Here Brother Leslie H. Swan took from the socket holder the flag and sprang to the rostrum in the Grand East and waved it over his head. The brethren of the grand lodge as a unit rose to their feet, when Brother Edward Vaile McIntyre sprang to the pipe-organ and struck the chords of America and all joined lustily in singing it.

Following the song, and before the grand master resumed his address, it was, on motion, unanimously ordered that the following be made an edict of the grand lodge—

A part of the paraphernalia of the grand lodge, and of each of its constituent lodges, shall be a United States flag, of convenient size, which shall be spread upon the altar, and upon which shall rest the Three Great Lights of Masonry.

Continuing his address the grand master said—

I approved the application of Brother ———— of Kentucky, to lecture on Masonry to lodges in this state, but I have since learned that he has been charging fees for, and conferring, degrees of some kind. This I do not approve. * * * I bring this to your notice because side degrees have always been frowned upon in this as well as in most grand jurisdictions, and I don't wish the craft to feel that I permitted this, etc. * * *

It is such cases as this which makes it glaringly apparent how inconsistent it is for a lodge or grand lodge to give official sanction to peripatetic lecturers, or to venders of books or periodicals.

Concerning the home, the grand master said—

I am pleased to report progress and efficiency in the conduct of affairs at the masonic home at Darlington. * * * We now have 146 children and 31 adults, and all seem to be comfortable, happy and contented.

In language expressive of the deepest sorrow, and deprivation the grand master announced the death during the year of Brother Henry M. Furman, past grand master, (Grand lodge of the Indian Territory,) and Brother D. D. Leach, past deputy grand master. Elsewhere in the address mention is made of the passing of Brethren William H. Scott, and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois.

Twenty-three special dispensations were reported by the grand master for divers purposes, such as to change time or place of meeting, the advancement of candidates without reference to time, etc. Five corner stones were laid, one in person, and four by proxy; and four new lodges were constituted, all by proxy.

The grand master reported the arrest of one charter for what was deemed good cause, and the "Arrest of the Gavels" of two masters of lodges.

The grand master reported a list of seventy-nine ceremonial visits to lodges made during the year, and says that the—

Lodges surrounding being all notified to attend gave me an opportunity of coming in contact with many more.

The grand master reported that he had issued dispensations to form three new lodges, and had held in abeyance two other applications for dispensations, all of which were referred to the proper committee.

Five decisions, or as the grand master called them, "Interpretations of masonic law," were announced, all of which were approved by the committee on law and usage and the grand lodge. The first in order of announcement, is as follows: A Texas lodge had been requested to waive jurisdiction over a rejected candidate, but had declined to do so. Notwithstanding this, the Oklahoma lodge making such request, entertained the petition of such rejected candidate, and conferred the degrees upon him. The Grand Lodge of Texas claims jurisdiction over rejected candidates for the degrees for the space of five years, and the grand master of Oklahoma decided that the lodge conferring the degrees had erred; that the brother—

Was made a Mason illegally, and I ordered him suspended from all masonic privileges until this meeting of the grand lodge.

It would appear that whatever irregularity there was concerning the making of this brother was practiced by the Oklahoma lodge, and why he should be deprived of the masonic status without trial is not apparent at this distance.

In another case, it was held that—

Where a man had been made a mason forty-five or -six years ago in Iowa, but had never affiliated with any lodge since then, and had entirely forgotten the work he received, petitioned for the degrees—

That his petition could not be received.

If the brother had regularly withdrawn from the Iowa lodge, and had the evidence thereof, and could be vouched for as a Mason, no reason is perceived why he should not be deemed eligible to membership in any regular lodge.

In another case the grand master correctly decided that lodge funds could not be appropriated for public buildings of any nature, but for masonic and charitable purposes, only.

The grand secretary's report indicates the collection during the year of the sum of $59,885.91 of which $35,891.74 was on account of dues, and $8,200.00 on account of the Home Fund, and the balance from divers other sources. In the table of returns of lodges the grand secretary gives no footings, so there is no statement of the number of members, nor is there

any way of telling whether there was a gain, or loss in membership. Brother Anderson is one of the best of men and Masons, but it is funny that he omits so many little things which a grand secretary should do. From the proceedings of last year and of this year, the number of lodges is a matter of computation, and cannot be definitely ascertained; likewise the membership. Last year there was no index, but he must be credited with furnishing an index this year, for which all reviewers will be thankful. However, his proceedings do not furnish the information as to where the annual meeting was held, except as may be gathered from the head of the oration, delivered by the grand orator, as published on page 108. If the grand orator had failed to put a head to his deliverance we could have gathered no inference as to the city where the annual meeting of the grand lodge was held. Speaking of the oration, the grand orator, Brother Woodson E. Norvell assumes the role of the seer, and gives his notions of the "Federations of the Future." His deliverance fills seven pages, is readable, but some might regard it as somewhat visionary. On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensation it was ordered that charters issue to seven new lodges.

From the grand lecturer's report it appears that 137 Schools were held during the year; that the expenses of 31 were paid by the grand lodge and of the balance by the lodges where schools were held, and that the total expenses incident to the schools aggregated the sum of $4,250.00; all of which furnishes additional evidence that Illinois realizes more for what it expends for instruction in the ritual than any other grand lodge.

Brother Samuel Wilson Hogan was elected grand master, and Brother William Moses Anderson was re-elected grand secretary. The retiring grand master, Brother Arthur J. Weir, was presented with a past grand master's jewel, in a touching address, and the jewel was received, and the address responded to in a similar manner.

There is a brief review of the proceedings of foreign grand lodges, written by Brother Thomas C. Humphry, which fills seventy pages, only. He devotes three of his pages to a fraternal review of the proceedings of Illinois, for 1916, quoting extensively from our statistics, which apparently appeal to our brother. He also flatters this writer by quoting at some length from the review.

The next annual meeting will be held at Mc'Alester, February 26, 1918.

Brother Samuel W. Hogan, Grand Master, Cashion; Brother William Moses Anderson, Grand Secretary, Oklahoma City.

## OREGON—1917

144 Lodges 67th Annual 15,204 Members

A full page photograph of the retiring grand master, Brother Will Moore, appears on the frontispiece of the volume of proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, and the annual communication was held at Portland, commencing June 13, 1917. The grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by the full roster of the grand lodge officers.

Twenty-one past grand masters appear to have been present, also the representatives of thirty-two foreign grand bodies, Brother W. T. Wright, the envoy of Illinois, of this number. A somewhat lengthy, and very feeling letter from Brother George E. Chamberlain, representative of the Grand Lodge of England, in explanation of his absence was read, and is printed in the proceedings.

The record shows that at the opening of the grand lodge the flag ceremony prepared by a committee appointed a year ago was observed. It further appears that—

After it had been placed on its pedestal, the Rev. William Wallace Youngson, behind a screen, with the flag floating in the breeze of an electric fan, impersonated the flag, etc. * * *

And delivered a rather unique oration, which is printed in full in the proceedings. At the conclusion of the address the brother offered the following—

We pledge our allegiance to our flag and to the republic for which it stands; one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. We pledge America to help make the world safe for democracy.

This was ratified by the grand lodge—amidst tumultuous applause. * * *

The grand master's address consists of a succinct account of his official doings for the year, and with the exhibits of the address covers only eighteen pages of the proceedings. He reported the constituting of one lodge, the instituting of one lodge, the granting of two dispensations for the formation of new lodges and the laying of two corner stones, both of the latter by proxy. Thirty-eight special dispensations were reported for the purposes of permitting lodges to change time or place of meeting, to elect or install officers, or confer degrees out of time, to waive residence qualifications in cases of petitions from United States soldiers, and like purposes.

Concerning the call for a "Grand Lodge Conference," the grand master reported that—

I addressed a letter to each of the forty-eight grand masters asking if it would be agreeable and convenient for them to be represented at such a

conference. Fourteen grand masters approved the call for a conference, and accepted the invitation to be present either in person or by proxy; six stated that they or their jurisdictions did not approve of the plan, and declined to be represented; ten stated that their grand lodges would meet before the date of the proposed conference, but promised that they would refer the matter to their successor, or to their Grand Lodge while in session; six favored the plan of holding a conference, but stated that they would not be able to be present; three apparently tried to dodge the question; and nine did not so much as acknowledge the receipt of the letter.

The grand master reported that with much regret he withdrew the call.

He is strongly impressed with the value of such a conference, but says—

I feel however that better results might be attained, should the call come from some grand jurisdiction more centrally located, etc. * * *

This matter was referred to a special committee which reported, authorizing the in-coming grand master to further by all proper means the convening of the several grand masters throughout the United States, to the end that a general conference may be had, to consider and act upon the formation of a general body, etc. This report was adopted, and this grand lodge is still committed to the proposition of a general grand lodge.

The grand master reported his correspondence with the Masonic War Relief Association, and said—

The Oregon jurisdiction still retains membership upon the executive committee of the association, and it is a duty we owe to see that our recognition thus given in so great an undertaking does not go without substantial performance.

On report and recommendation of a special committee to which this matter was referred, the grand lodge appropriated one thousand dollars for expenditure by the grand master for the benefit of this association.

Three decisions were reported by the grand master, in the first of which he was asked—

Are Roman Catholics barred from the masonic lodges by written or unwritten law, and can a Catholic be a good Mason?

The decision was—

There is nothing in the masonic law, written or unwritten which prohibits any man from becoming a Mason on account of his religious belief. * * *

The other two decisions were merely constructions of two different sections of their code, and are in no way interesting to any save those immediately concerned.

A full page of the grand master's address is covered in advocating the establishment of a home. He said, in part—

The grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star has already a small fund for that purpose, and I am informed that they intend starting an ac-

tive campaign for a sufficient fund to materially assist in building a home. * * * Would not a masonic home, symbolizing as it does those great tenets of Masonry, brotherly love, relief and truth, be an incentive for higher thoughts, nobler deeds and grander achievements? * * *

The grand master's plea brought immediate results, and on report of a special committee it was by the grand lodge resolved to establish, construct, provide and maintain a Masonic and Eastern Star Home for the aged and infirm, the poor and distressed worthy Master Masons, their widows and orphans, and that the project be entered upon as soon as the requisite means can be provided therefor. Our Oregon brethren are to be congratulated on this undertaking and it is entirely safe to prophesy that it is more likely to succeed, and reflects more honor upon them, and the institution of Masonry than their scheme for the formation of a general grand lodge.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $20,206.61, on account of the General Fund, of which $17,224.00 was grand lodge dues, and the balance was derived from divers other sources. The same report shows a net gain in membership for the year of 425.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, it was ordered that two new lodges be granted charters, that one be continued under dispensation, and that one petition for a dispensation be granted.

A committee appointed a year ago to prepare a flag ceremony, reported the results of its labors, and the ceremony by it recommended was adopted, and the grand secretary ordered to have the same printed for the use of lodges.

Brother Weston Guy Shellenbarger was elected grand master, and Brother Jas. F. Robinson was re-elected grand secretary.

The tedium of business was relieved by the delivery of an oration by Brother H. C. Dunsmore, grand orator, which by order of the grand lodge is in the proceedings. It is well worthy of preservation, and of careful perusal.

The Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star appears to have held its annual meeting at the same time and in the same city as the grand lodge, and a delegation from the body of the grand chapter visited grand lodge, (the grand lodge being at refreshment). The visitors were received and made welcome, some oratory was perpetrated, whereupon the visitors retired. A committee appointed by the grand lodge returned this visit. Following the installation ceremonies the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's apron, "as a token of the esteem in which he is held by his brethren."

The report on foreign correspondence is again by Brother David P. Mason, past grand master, and consists of one hundred ninety-two well written pages. Eight of his pages are covered by a review of the proceedings of Illinois. He says—

With apologies to this his wonderfully large and active grand lodge, we take pleasure in reporting some of their activities during the years 1915-1916. We are still minus the 1914.

Whereupon he quotes from the introductory part of Brother Burnap's annual report. He quotes also from the report what is therein said of the cases of the gentleman who wished the grand master to relieve him of the undesirable attentions of the lady, supposed to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star; the man who invoked his aid in the collection of a debt; the wife who demanded the expulsion of her husband, and the twice rejected man who wished to be made a Mason "At sight." He takes note of what is in the report stated concerning the R. A. Memorial Hospital, and notices the report of the committee on ceremonial music, and the report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, submitting forms and instructions for masonic trials. Of the review, he says—

The report on masonic correspondence is submitted by Brother Owen Scott, * * *

Whereupon he quotes from the "Preview" what is therein said concerning landmarks. He says further—

This correspondent from Illinois has his own ideas about recognizing the Eastern Star, and one can easily read the negative between the lines.

For the information of our brother it is proper to state that Brother Scott is a past grand patron of the grand chapter of this order in Illinois, and it is hardly possible that he can entertain any scruples specially applicable to this order. If our brother has stated that Brother Scott is strictly opposed to the recognition, *as masonic*, of anything outside of the Masonry of the ancient charges, he would have placed him exactly where we in Illinois have him located.

Reviewing our proceedings for 1916, our brother says—

Immediately after the opening of grand lodge the grand marshal presented the flag, which was placed in the East, while the brethren sang, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

He takes note also of the musical programme at opening of the grand lodge. He takes note of what is said in the annual report of Grand Master Wheeler, concerning his purpose to serve, rather than to rule, concerning lodge visitation, and the "legally dead." He is apparently impressed with our statistics, financial and others, takes note of the report of the Committee on Joseph Robbins Memorial; and quotes from the report of the Committee on Obituaries, and from the oration of Brother Oscar Kropf.

The distinguished brother is pleased to commend, in a way, the review of this writer, and while it would be bad taste to re-produce his kind words, it would be still worse to fail in appreciative acknowledgement. Our brother is assured of our grateful appreciation.

The next Annual will be held at Portland, June 12, 1918.

Brother W. G. SHELLENBARGER, Grand Master, Portland; Brother JAS. F. ROBINSON, Grand Secretary, No. 388 Yamhill St., Portland.

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## PENNSYLVANIA—1916

502 LODGES 130TH ANNUAL 126,680 MEMBERS

The volume of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by a full page cut of the masonic temple at Philadelphia, (from same plate as in the proceedings of last year,) and a full page picture of Brother Louis A. Watres, grand master. "Quarterly Communications" were held March 1, 1916, June 7, 1916, September 6, 1916, and December 6, 1916, and the "Annual Grand Communication" was held December 27, 1916, all of which were held at Philadelphia, and at all of which the grand master presided, save the second quarterly meeting which was presided over by the deputy grand master, Brother James B. Krause. At the meeting first above mentioned one hundred eighty-nine lodges were represented but very little business was done, save hearing reports of committees and other routine work. A resolution was adopted authorizing the grand master and grand secretary to execute conveyances to certain real estate, by will conveyed to the grand lodge in trust for the masonic home, provided that a price should be offered, satisfactory to the Home Committee. The brother making the bequest, Gustavus Groezinger, had stipulated that the proceeds of this property should be used in the erection of a memorial building, bearing his name, and might be used in accordance with the wishes of the Home Committee.

At the quarterly held June 7, 1916, one hundred fifty-three lodges were represented. Announcement was made of the death of Brother George W. Kendrick, Jr., past grand master, and a eulogy on his life and character was delivered by Brother Edgar F. Smith, past master of University Lodge, which by order of the grand lodge appears in the printed proceedings. At this meeting announcement was made of a gift by a Philadelphia lady, Miss Anna M. Somerville, of a mortgage in the sum of five thousand dollars to be used toward the maintenance of the

home as a memorial of her deceased brother. The grand lodge accepted the gift and thanked the donor.

At the quarterly of September 6, 1916, upon report and recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico. In this report, which is comprehensive is set forth the requirements insisted upon by this grand lodge in order to recognition, and for the reason that they are believed to be substantially right and sound they are reproduced, as follows—

1. Legitimacy of origin of constituent lodges uniting to form a grand lodge; and that there should be at least three such lodges, separate and lawfully warranted.

2. Sovereign and independent control of Ancient Craft Masonry in the state, province or territorial division constituting the jurisdiction of the proposed grand lodge.

3. Belief in God, and the Bible on the altar as the great light in Masonry. Inherent in this acceptance of the doctrine of the immortality of the soul.

At this meeting announcement was made of the death of Brother W. J. Chetwode Crawley of Ireland, whereupon it was resolved that the grand lodge take note of its appreciation of the great service rendered to the craft by this distinguished brother, and its sincere regret for the loss sustained by his death.

One hundred thirty-two lodges were represented at this meeting.

In view of the fact that since the time of this meeting our nation has entered upon war as an ally of France, the following is interesting: Brother Thomas H Fenton, senior grand deacon, called attention to the fact that September 6th, 1916, was the 159th anniversary of the birth of General La Fayette, and that at the "Extra Grand Communication" of the grand lodge of October 2, 1824, when General La Fayette visited the grand lodge, action was taken conferring upon him all the rights, dignities and privileges of membership, and offered a resolution, preceded by several "Whereases" and a "Therefore," that—

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania F. and A. M. reaffirms with the most hearty accord and sincerity those sentiments of profound regard and respect for the character of Brother LaFayette which were displayed and recorded in his lifetime by grand lodge at the extra grand communication of October second, 1824.

One of the "Whereases" recites that—

What he did for us in the eighteenth century we do not forget in the twentieth century.

The resolutions were adopted, and the fact that this was several months before the president had issued his proclamation declaring war against Germany, furnishes additional evidence that Freemasonry is not

only the conservator and reflector of what is best in the way of sentiment, but is an active agent in its creation.

At the quarterly held December 6, 1916, four hundred forty-two lodges were represented, and the first business attended to following the opening was the election of grand lodge officers, pursuant to the provisions of the "Ahiman Rezon." Brethren Louis A. Watres and John A. Perry were both re-elected as grand master and grand secretary, respectively.

At the annual meeting held December 27, 1916, distinguished visitors from other grand jurisdictions were in attendance as follows: Brother William R. Meakle, grand master of New Jersey, accompanied by the deputy grand master, senior grand warden, grand treasurer, senior and junior grand deacons and grand marshall and secretary to the grand master; Brother Thomas J. Shryock, of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, accompanied by the grand director of ceremonies; and Brother Thomas Penney, grand master of New York accompanied by a suite of thirty-six brethren of the Grand Lodge of New York. All these distinguished brethren were received with the customary honors. At this meeting the grand lodge officers were installed, immediately following which the grand master delivered his address, recounting the year's activities. He reported the constituting of five new lodges, the laying of nine corner stones and the dedication of one hall. Nine decisions were reported by the grand master, all of them being merely constructions of local rules and edicts, and none of them of any particular consequence to any one save the parties immediately concerned.

Concerning expenditures of lodges for banquets, cigars, etc., the grand master reported the issuing of a circular letter to lodges, in part as follows—

In view of the fact that many of the lodges throughout the jurisdiction are expending such large, and in many cases excessive, sums of money for refreshments, and in order that expenditures along these lines shall be kept within reasonable limits, * * * you are directed to send to this office a report, * * * which report shall include amounts paid for charity, banquets, cigars, number of banquets held during the year, cost of each banquet, the number present who are members of the lodge, and the number present who are visitors, etc. * * *

This would appear somewhat an infringement on the inherent rights and prerogatives of lodges, but possibly some of the lodges under the obedience of the distinguished brother may have acted in a way to call for such interference.

Concerning the home at Elizabethtown the grand master said—

The generosity which has been shown by grand lodge and the brethren who have made possible the comfort and the care which is bestowed upon our guests at Elizabethtown is a wonderful manifestation of brotherly love. It is gratifying to believe that every reflective member of the craft is in complete harmony with grand lodge and its Home Committee,

in giving those who need our aid an environment which is in keeping with our wealth, our dignity, and our fraternal spirit. * * *

From the report of the superintendent it appears that at date of report there were at the home 285 guests. The grand master further said—

The growth of our community at Elizabethtown has been phenominal. No one dreamed that there were so many in our jurisdiction who needed fraternal assistance. The cottages so far completed and equipped are not sufficient to accommodate those who have applied, etc. * * *

The experience of our Pennsylvania brethren in this regard is not singular. To that element, at present somewhat growing in numbers, who think the rules concerning physical fitness of candidates should be relaxed, the following language of the grand master is instructive—

The report of the grand secretary shows that during the masonic year just closed there have been admitted into our jurisdiction in initiation over 8,000 members. * * * It is earnestly suggested that such rapid growth is both abnormal and unhealthy. * * * Such rapid growth is a crime against the craft and should not be permitted. The idea entertained by some masters that the success of their administrations depends upon the number received in the lodge is not only erroneous but is against the best interests of the lodge and of the fraternity. * * *

Very few of us will share in the grand master's alarm, or see impending calamity in increase of membership, but when it is remembered that among all the grand lodges on earth Pennsylvania is, and has always been singular and peculiar in its enforcement of the "Perfect youth" landmark, we may all derive the inference that living up to, and enforcing the ancient charges and regulations is no hindrance to growth.

Concerning schools of instruction the grand master reported—

It is gratifying to note that the several schools of instruction throughout the jurisdiction have done most excellent work. The unselfish labors of the instructors and officers of the schools, as well as those who attend them, has made grand lodge their debtor.

Commendatory mention is made of the services of the sixty-one district deputy grand masters, concluding with the just observation that—

Too full recognition cannot be given to these loyal servants of grand lodge.

In our brother's "Conclusions," he strikes the high places most beautifully and forcefully, and if space permitted it would be well to give Illinois readers the benefit thereof, in its entirety. The following excerpts, however, must suffice—

If Freemasonry has been a force in the world, if it has moulded government wrought righteousness builded character, and made men more diligent, prudent, temperate and discreet, if it has brought harmony and beauty and equilibrium into men's lives; if it has done all these things—and it has, and more—it is not because of any power in and of itself, separate and apart from its fountainhead, and its fountainhead is the book of the law. It is because of the recognition of this truth that Freemasonry

has withstood the shock of Empires and the assault of centuries. * * * But the book of the law is not fetish. Whether it lies open on the altar at Isaiah, Jeremiah, Genesis, or Exodus Twenty, it is futile and of none effect unless we absorb its lessons and live its life. To refuse or neglect its study would make us the losers, and would put in jeopardy both our beloved fraternity and our country. Upon it are based our ancient charges, so full of helpfulness and significance. Therefore it is that Freemasons study both the Bible and our ancient charges, for after all, Freemasonry is an intellectual outlook, a standard of truth, a gospel of light,—a light that uplifts. * * * Never since the world began was the solidarity of the race so emphasized; never since the morning stars sang together was it more clearly seen that man is his brother's keeper; never in all the centuries was the opportunity to lend a hand so eagerly sought; never in all the history has there been such need for material help, never such dire distress. * * * So long as there shall be weak hands to uphold and trembling knees to strengthen, and until that happy day shall come when men and women everywhere shall be strong and self reliant, so long will the spirit of helpfulness exemplified make life better and sweeter and holier. * * *

The record shows that—

The following visiting grand officers eloquently addressed the grand lodge.

Namely, Brethren Thomas J. Shryock, grand master of Maryland; Thomas Penney, grand master of New York; William R. Meakle, grand master of New Jersey; Edward M. L. Ehlers, grand secretary of New York, and George Freifield, past grand master of New York.

From the report of the Committee on Finance it appears that the grand secretary collected during the year the sum of $561,074.40 of which the sum of $120,874.67 was dues from lodges, and the balance from divers other sources.

From the table of returns of lodges a net increase in membership is shown in the sum of 6,134. A review of the proceedings of this ancient and conservative grand lodge discloses several peculiarities, most of them good ones, among which may be named: 1. The enormous scale on which its finances are conducted. 2. The fidelity and frugality with which its trust funds and beneficences are administered. And 3. The rigor and strictness with which it adheres to the old ways. The grand lodge owns more than two million dollars worth of real estate, and controls and administers more than two millions more invested in divers securities in bequests and trusts for purposes of beneficence.

The Committee on Library reported that—

During the last year the work of the library has proceeded diligently, and that eighteen hundred and two books have been added to the library, bringing our collection of masonic books (exclusive of proceedings) to thirteen thousand nine hundred and eighty-one. These great accessions to our library were, in a large measure, owing to the bequests of our deceased Brothers George W. Kendrick Jr. and Francis M. Highley, both giant figures

in Freemasonry, who gave us what it took them years to acquire; and a donation of six hundred and seventy masonic books (many of them rare and valuable) collected by Brother Thomas J. Shryock, most worshipful grand master of Maryland.

There is a report on foreign correspondence consisting of two hundred and nine pages by Brother Thomas F. Penman, and whether or not he is in fact a good penman he writes a good review. His "Conclusion" is highly interesting, and worthy of thoughtful attention. Concerning research, study clubs, libraries, etc., he says—

This is all very commendable, and wherever practicable is worthy of earnest effort and support. But masonic education should not stop there—at the intellectual academic side of the subject. It is very interesting to speculate upon the origin of Masonry, to delve into archaeology and uncover the ancient mysteries to ascertain the relative merits of claims for the Ancient Egyptian Rites, the ceremonies of the followers of Confucius, or whether Masonry is derived from the Jews at the building of Solomon's Temple. * * * It may be engaging to investigate the history and evolution of ritualism, landmarks and jurisprudence; these may evolve the scientific Mason. But they fall short of desired completeness in his culture and efficiency in relation to Mansonry's right to existence as an element of modern society; the true meaning of brotherhood. * * * His mind should be trained to think in terms of sympathy, beneficence; that to help, aid and assist a worthy brother with an encouraging word and helping hand is what Masonry stands for. We recommend for another course of study the financial statements of grand lodges showing the sums dispensed in charity. A pilgrimage to the masonic home at Elizabethtown will do as much to develop the efficient Mason in Pennsylvania as a library on the ancient rites, and the traditions and philosophy of Masonry. * * *

Our brother next, in his conclusion pays his respects to, and approves of, the project for the Washington Memorial at Alexandria, but it is to be remarked that thus far the subscriptions from Pennsylvania have been confined to members of the craft who were disposed to contribute, and that the grand lodge as a body has made no contribution.

He next tackles, and devotes seven pages to a discussion of "Masonry and The Liquor Business." It may be frankly confessed that this writer knows so little about liquor, and the liquor business, that he has no pronounced opinion concerning its relation to Masonry, but from what little information he has, he is disposed to agree with the brother, in the general conclusion that the extinction of John Barleycorn is imminent.

Our brother concludes his "Conclusion" as follows—

The undersigned chairman of the Committee on Correspondence begs to assure his readers that he alone is responsible and accountable for the foregoing report; he does not assume to represent the grand lodge in any expression of views—pertinent or impertinent—touching the interests of the fraternity.

All of which is most true, and should go without saying,—but perhaps it is well that it should, on account of the new crop of readers, be re-stated now and then.

The proceedings of Illinois, (1915) are fraternally reviewed by the brother. Commenting on the annual report of Brother Burnap he says—

That the grand master looms up big in Illinois, outside of the fraternity is evidenced by the requests made of him.

Whereupon he reproduces the cases in said report mentioned of the gentleman who wished to be relieved of the undesirable attentions of the lady supposed to be a member of the O. E. S.; the gentleman who invoked the grand master's aid in the collection of a debt; the wife who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband; and the twice rejected man who desired to be made a Mason at sight. Our brother notices the reference to the R. A. Memorial Hospital; quotes from our statistics and takes note of the then *status* of our controversy with the school board of La Grange. Regarding the last named matter the brother sees the point, and takes the view upheld in substance by the supreme court. Of the review he says—

Correspondence report by Brother Owen Scott is voluminous and of premier class. He views the masonic world from a lofty summit of knowledge and experience.

Whereupon he proceeds to quote from what Brother Scott says concerning "Research," and his statistics.

Brother Louis A. Watres, Grand Master, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia; Brother John A. Perry, Grand Secretary, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

## PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

38 Lodges 5th Annual 1,839 Members

The book of proceedings of this grand lodge is embellished by a fine portrait of the grand master, Brother William Hendrickson Taylor, on the fly-leaf, and a full page cut of a section of the city of Manila, showing the new masonic temple, which the grand master says is one of the finest buildings in the far east.

The annual meeting was held at Manila commencing February 13, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Three past grand masters were in attendance, and the representatives of fifty-nine foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother Amos G. Bellis, the representative of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master gave an account of his official acts, and expressed his views on several masonic matters in an address which fills only seven pages.

He reported that he had visited each of the chartered lodges of his obedience, and says—

I found the work splendidly performed, and presented in such a manner as was creditable to the lodge and impressive to the candidate. Never since the foundation of Masonry in these far flung Isles has the work been more uniform, nor has it ever been presented in a more creditable manner.

He reported the constituting of one new lodge, and the issuing of thirty-two dispensations authorizing the formation of new lodges. Six special dispensations were issued, for the purpose of enabling lodges to entertain petitions of officers of the army and navy waiving qualification as to residence, to elect or install lodge officers out of time, and like purposes.

He took occasion to commend the Washington Memorial project, and recommended that the grand lodge take stock in this enterprise. This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Finance, upon the report of which the recommendation was concurred in, and 200 pesos were subscribed to this fund.

Under the head of "Recognition of our Grand Lodge," it is stated in the address, that—

All the grand lodges of the United States but three and all those of Canada but one, have extended the right hand of fellowship. Those in the United States who have refrained from welcoming us into their masonic family are New Jersey, Rhode Island and Tennessee, etc. * * *

There is a fine report of the Committee on Necrology, in which mention is made of the passing of several brethren of local prominence, and among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions the names of Brethren William H. Scott and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois appear.

Under the head of "Decisions," the grand master reported that—

So great care is made in the selection of material for the degrees, and the election of officers of the various lodges, that a study of the constitution on the part of the latter has rendered it unnecessary for your grand master to render any decisions during the year. * * *

Some of her older sisters might well take notice of this and endeavor to do likewise.

The grand master recommended that in the by-law relating to physical qualifications of candidates for initiation, the word "*literally*" be eliminated, and the word "*substantially*" substituted therefor. Upon report of the Committee on Jurisprudence this was done, and as amended this part of their law will read—

Physically able to conform substantially to what the several degrees respectively require of him. * * *

This constitutes a change, but the calling of it an amendment is a misnomer.

A very stringent, and proper anti-electioneering law was on report and recommendation of the same committee adopted.

Another real amendment was on recommendation of the same committee adopted namely: providing that dues shall not accrue against a suspended brother during the time he is under sentence of suspension. Hitherto as appears under their code, dues were taxed against a brother during the period of suspension, which is manifestly unfair, especially in cases in which no moral turpitude is involved in the offence, but merely the inability to pay dues.

On recommendation of the same committee the constitution was amended so as to provide that—

A lodge can be formed only by authority of a dispensation from the grand master, or of a charter from the grand lodge.

This is in accord with universal masonic usage, and the installation vows assumed by all of us who have at any time presided over a lodge of the original plan, but in the adoption of this very proper amendment of their organic law they place the joke upon themselves, in this wise: in glancing over the list of foreign grand bodies with which they appear to be in fraternal correspondence, there are to be found at least nine so-called grand lodges, not one of which has a single lodge under its obedience known to be of the character defined by their organic law as amended.

All will applaud the purpose of our Philippine brethren to tolerate and put into circulation of the domestic brand, nothing but the genuine Masonry of the ancient charges, but to accept as current some half dozen brands of foreign imitations of Masonry, has at this great distance the appearance of self-stultification. It may be said, however, and will be said, by all apologists for imitations of Masonry, that this is their own business.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $4,054.50 pesoes, on account of the General Fund, and of $406.50 pesoes on account of the Charity Fund. The table of statistics shows a net gain in membership of 1,138.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters, thirty-two new lodges were by the grand lodge granted charters. From the speech of the grand secretary in support of the motion approving the report, and ordering the granting of these charters, it is to be inferred that nearly all the lodges concerned had been working under some grand orient, or other form of so-called masonic body, and that by whatever warrant or authority they existed the same was abandoned, and renounced, and dispensations obtained from the grand master for regular organization. It is presumed that most of them were of the obedience of the so-called regional grand lodge, which a few months since was protesting against the regular Grand

Lodge of the Philippine Islands, but having learned from the treatment accorded, unanimously, by grand lodges of their protest the estimation in which their brand of masonry is held, became tired of their imitation of Masonry, and have now been put into the possession of the genuine article. The prophecy is ventured that this action will be generally applauded. If all grand lodges should accord to all the imitations of the Masonry of the original plan the same treatment this regional grand lodge received, some such similar result might be the outcome.

An eloquent and learned address was delivered by the grand orator, Brother Charles S. Banks, which is printed in full in the proceedings, and is well worthy of the place. It is entitled, "The Practical Nature of our Craft," and is interesting throughout. In the conclusion, it is said—

Masonry is capable of application to the affairs of men; it can be taken into the home as a guide to harmonious living; it can be applied to matters of business, of buying and selling, of bargaining and contracting, of promising and complying; it can be used as a stay upon the passions, making us respect virtue, chastity, girlhood, womanhood, wifehood, irrespective of race, country, local or national or international customs; it can inculcate temperance, fortitude, prudence in matters pertaining to drink and its evils, adversity and its paralyzing tendencies, slander, calumny, light-tongued peddling of uncertain statements with their frivolous and often poisonous effects upon the peddler and the victim. It can do all these things and make us no less virile, no less independent, no less conscientious, no less useful members of society,—but it can not do these things if it have a material to work upon which is equivocal in its protestations, uncertain in its beliefs, cowardly in its convictions, temporizing in its intentions, arrogant or insolent or morose in its desire for preferment, or egotistical in its own worth, etc. * * *

The annual election of officers resulted in the re-election of Brother William H. Taylor, as grand master and Brother Newton C. Comfort as grand secretary.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Brother Walter W. Weber, and fills one hundred eighty-four pages.

His treatment of the proceedings of Illinois, (1916) is considerate and fraternal. He is apparently impressed with our flag ceremony, and the account of the music at opening of the grand lodge. Of Brother Wheeler's annual report he says—

The grand master's address is confined to a report of official activities.

He notes what is said concerning the Advisory Board, official visits of the grand master, dispensations for new lodges, dedications of temples and laying of corner stones, and rightly says—

Here is a grand master, in deed as well as name.

He notes what is reported by the grand master concerning political discussions in lodges, and mentions the visit to the grand lodge by our children

from La Grange, and appears to be particularly pleased with the pictures of them in our published proceedings. Also, he appears to be delighted with Brother Hilliker's speech and quotes a good part of the speech. Of Brother Kropf's oration, he says—

It might be termed an essay on man, and calls for the best that is in us to be exerted for the common good. * * *

He is pleased to commend the work of this correspondent, saying of the writer—

He is familiar with his subject, and presents a live and interesting review.

He is also pleased with the special report on the protest of the regional grand lodge, (so-called) saying—

We thank you Brother Martin for your good work in analyzing this protest, and for the recommendation presented, etc. * * *

These complimentary speeches are reproduced in part to show how abruptly our good brother neutralizes, and utterly demolishes their pleasant effect, by intimating in the very next line that the writer should learn to spell, and charging that in last report, Manila is spelled with too many lls. On examination we find that his charge is too true, and although we well know how futile and tiresome apologies and explanations are, we take the liberty of referring him to the report on Alabama for this year, for the wherefore of this inadvertence.

In Brother Weber's review of the proceedings of North Dakota, he expresses himself in very sensible, and somewhat familiar language on the subjects of the recognition, *sub modo*, of clandestine Masonry, and of the use of printed or cipher rituals. Without any disposition to find fault with what our brother says, we have certain reasons for wondering what Brother Walter L. Stockwell, grand secretary of North Dakota, will say of the same.

The next annual meeting will be held at Manila January 29, 1918.

Brother William Hendrickson Taylor, Grand Master, Manila; Brother Newton C. Comfort, Grand Secretary, Manila.

## PORTO RICO

Proceedings not received in time for insertion here—if they come later will be at end of report.

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

15 Lodges 41st Annual 854 Members

A neat, well printed volume of ninety-three pages gives the published account of this grand lodge for the year. As a frontispiece is the full page picture of Brother Alex. Stirling MacKay, the grand master, clad in picturesque regalia of the English pattern, gauntlets and all. Elsewhere in the tiny volume are to be found the pictures of Brethren Simon W. Crabbe and Ronald MacMillan, both past grand masters and both deceased.

The annual meeting was held at Charlettetown, June 28th, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by Brother James D. Stewart, grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Six past grand masters illuminated the assemblage by their presence, and the representatives of twenty-eight foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother Samuel Lowe, the representative of Illinois, of this number.

In delivering his annual address the first topic mentioned by the grand master is the war, under which he said, in part—

The shadow of the great war still hangs like a pall over our beloved empire; and although we are a hemisphere's breadth removed from the scene of strife, yet month by month, week by week and day by day, some new event—some personal touch comes to remind us that we are a party to this great struggle,—that this war is our war, whether we like it or not. When this grand lodge was last closed Mount Moriah in the south was occupied by our right worshipful brother the grand junior warden; today he is in the Old Land in the service of king and country. Our lights were last closed by our worshipful brother, the senior grand deacon; today another fills his station while he is doing his duty as a true Mason and good citizen in a military training camp. As citizens and Masons nothing should give us more pride than the solidarity of the empire at this great testing time, etc. * * *

Under the head of "Necrology" he announced the death, during the year of Brethren Simon W. Crabbe and Ronald MacMillan, both past grand masters, and of other brethren of local prominence. Among the distinguished dead of "Sister jurisdictions," mention is made of the passing of Brethren Edward Cook and William H. Scott, past grand masters of Illinois.

Under the topic, "Visitations," he said—

I have officially visited during my term of office, all the lodges in the jurisdiction. * * *

The grand master reported that work was done, or degrees exemplified by the lodges, on the occasion of his visits, and says—

The work throughout was of a high average, and shows the lodges to be in the hands of skilled craftsmen. * * * We have the smallest jurisdiction in the world. That is not a particularly enviable distinction but it is una-

voidable. Would it not be gratifying to be able to claim as an offset with justice that our work is done with more uniformity and correctness than in any other jurisdiction?

The grand master announced the issuing of fifteen special dispensations during the year, to-wit: four to permit lodges to attend divine service in lodge regalia; seven authorizing the conferring of degrees without regard to time, and four to enable lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as provided by the by-laws.

The grand master incorporated into his address their "Roll of Honor," in the announcement of which he went through the roster of lodges *seriatum* from No. 1 to No. 17, and gave the names of members of the respective lodges who were in the military service.

The address suggests two recommendations: 1. That special effort be made to secure a better and more regular attendance at lodge meetings. 2. That special effort be made to secure uniformity in ritualistic work throughout the jurisdiction.

The address concludes on a high plane, as follows—

If individually and collectively we are endeavoring to practise and perpetuate the lesson we have learned at the altar,—if we are striving day by day as faithful workmen to do our duty to God, our country, our neighbor and ourselves we are doing more than we dream to usher in the time when,

"Man to man the world over,
Shall brothers be, and a' that."

The deputy grand master made a report which is published in the proceedings which consists of an account of the ceremonial visits made, the expressions of regret that he was prevented from making other ceremonial visits, and his notions concerning the war, and matters incident thereto.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $690.30 of which $328.80 was *per capita* tax from lodges, $205.50 was on account of the benevolent fund, and the balance from divers other sources. From the table of returns it appears that there was a net gain in membership during the year of 35, which the grand secretary says—

Is the largest in our history as a grand lodge.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands was recognized, and an exchange of representatives authorized. In the same report, which is written by Brother Doull, past grand master, regret is expressed that no review of the proceedings of other grand lodges is published, and in explanation says—

The time has not yet arrived when our finances will allow the extent of volume this would entail.

Concerning his desire to write a more extensive report, our brother further says—

It would also afford opportunity to your committee to discuss and sometimes criticise the tendency which seems to be growing all too prevalent in some quarters to brush aside ancient customs and regulations; thereby yielding to exigencies and expediencies and reducing our order to the level of modern combinations and constructions. Masonry holds a distinct position and character by virtue of these very customs and regulations, yet modernism would lay its impious hands on our rites, ceremonies and regulations and set them quietly aside, or destroy them altogether whenever expediency suggests the folly of perpetuating antiquated rules and customs, or when unduly developed personal importance or presumptuous pride arrogates the right to meet modern requirements with modern practices, etc. * *

There can be no doubt as to the correctness of the general tenor of our brother's preachment, and the masonic world is a loser from his failure to publish a review.

Brother Alex. Stirling MacKay of Summerside was elected grand master, and Brother W. P. Doull, of Charlottetown, was re-elected grand secretary.

The next annual will be held at Summerside, June 27, 1917.

## QUEBEC—1917

66 Lodges 47th Annual 8,491 Members

The printed proceedings of this grand lodge are recited in a neat volume of some three hundred fifty pages, the book being adorned by full page portraits of Brother W. W. Williamson, grand master, and Brother Sir Melbourne M. Tait, past grand master, deceased.

The annual meeting was held at Montreal commencing February 14, 1917, and the grand lodge was presided over by Brother Edward A. Evans, grand master. Six past grand masters were in attendance at the opening,—likewise the ambassadors of thirty-three foreign grand lodges, Brother F. W. Hearle, the representative of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master delivered a short address, recounting his official acts, and his ceremonial visits to the lodges under his obedience. Under the head of "Necrology," announcement was made of the death of Brother Sir Melbourne M. Tait, past grand master, and many other brethren of local prominence. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, he makes mention of Brother Albert B. Ashley, past grand master of Illinois.

Report was made of the granting of six special dispensations to enable lodges to elect or install officers out of time, of five to enable lodges to confer more than the regulation number of degrees at the same meeting, and

eight to enable lodges to confer the third degree in less than the regulation time. The distinguished brother was apparently much concerned about war conditions, saying, in part—

The horrors of war are still upon us, and in conjunction with our allies, we are now fighting against those who have publicly acknowledged that they have no law, except that which it pleases they, themselves to make. The laws of nations and of humanity have been thrust aside, etc. * * *

Recommendation was made that out of the grand lodge funds a sum not exceeding $500.00 be contributed to the "British Sailors' Relief Fund," and a sum not exceeding $2,000.00 be contributed to the "Canadian Patriotic Fund." This part of the address was referred to the Committee on Finance, and the recommendation of the grand master was endorsed by this committee, and the appropriations were made accordingly.

In the conclusion to the address, it is optomistically said—

Peace and harmony have prevailed throughout the year; no contentious questions have been brought before me, and as will be seen from the various other reports that will be placed before you, our financial and numerical progress have been steady and progressive.

From the report of the grand secretary it appears that the net gain in membership, during the year was 238.

The same report shows the collection of $10,112.50 during the year of which $5,931.50 was on account of the general fund, and $4,181.00 on account of the benevolent fund.

The reports of the seven district deputy grand masters appear in the proceedings, and tend to show quite careful supervision of the lodges, practically all having been visited, and that the general condition is good.

On the afternoon of the first day of the session an address was delivered by Brother, the Rev. Prof. C. A. Brodie Brockwell, district grand chaplain, which appears in the printed proceedings, and is rather a remarkable production. The learned brother, in a discourse covering twenty-three pages exploits the theory that all the lines of human progress, in masonry, art, law, literature, religion and whatever contributes to what we call civilization, converge backward to Abraham, or to what he is pleased to call the "Palestinian bridge." On this theory he predicates a splendid optomistic forecast. For the benefit of Illinois readers the following is reproduced, though it must be confessed that no mere excerpt can give an adequate idea of the address—

Out of brotherhood came civilization, and since out of such brotherhood came Masonry, it is Masonry that has ruled civilization. Masonry has ruled the world because it has ruled the mind of the world, being the great suzerain of intellectual and civic freedom, liberty and justice. Having taught men to be magnanimous, it straightway proceeded to erect memorials of their magnanimity, till at length it taught men to immortalize all the most exemplary manifestations of magnanimity upon the written and immortal

page of history. * * * After the ideals of world citizenship have won their last and greatest battle in this most colossal war in the history of civilization; when no uncertain victory has been crowned with an amaranthine wreath of peace; when the awful din of battle and the cries of the wounded and the dying, and the garments rolled in blood fade away from our ears and eyes; it is my firm conviction that we are then destined, almost immediately, to enter upon one of the most remarkable and glorious epochs of exact scientific achievement ever yet known in the entire history of humanitarian research. If you ask me for the grounds for my belief in a consummation so devoutly to be wished, I will tell you, in a word, that it will come through the discovery of the hitherto unrecognized fact that the Palestinian bridge was really the cradle and center of redistribution of all the most germinal and formative principles in the history of the evolution of the ideals of world citizenship, and of the mighty consequences pregnant therein to humanity at large. * * *

Brother W. W. Williamson was elected grand master, and Brother Will H. Whyte, was re-elected grand secretary.

There is a report on foreign correspondence from the pen of that scholarly veteran in Freemasonry, Brother E. T. D. Chambers.

In the introductory part of his report it is said—

Thirty years ago, that is to say, in 1887, the undersigned had the honour of being the first appointed chairman of the Committee of Foreign Relations and Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Quebec. He has been the recipient of the same honour ever since, with the exception of the two years 1896 and 1897, during which he served the craft as grand master.

Among the topics treated in his introduction is that of "Universality of Freemasonry," and his views thereon commend themselves to the sober sense of all regular Masons. He says, in part—

Upon no masonic subject is there more diversity of opinion than in regard to the proper understanding of "The Universality of Freemasonry." Some contend that wherever there are men possessing a knowledge of the allegory and symbolism of the craft, there true Freemasonry is necessarily to be found; forgetful altogether of the fact that there is more in our fraternity than the mere modes of recognition, and that there are certain essentials without which no body or association of men, no matter how beautiful their system of morality may be, can rightfully claim to be legitimate Freemasons, or members of a just, perfect and regular lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. * * * It is but right to impress upon our younger and less informed brethren that not all who can pronounce the masonic shibboleth are just and regular members of the fraternity, or are entitled to their fraternal recognition as such. * * * While it is perfectly true that Freemasonry is dispersed over every portion of the habitable globe—so far as the presence in every land of individual Freemasons of genuine origin is concerned—the teachings of the craft are nowhere to be understood as implying that the governing Grand Orient or grand lodge of so-called Masonry is in every land an integral portion of legitimate Freemasonry, etc. * * *

The truth of all this appears so patent, that its statement has the semblance of superfluity, yet instead of being superfluous, the matters herein

asserted can not be too often, nor too strongly insisted upon. It is particularly *apropos* in these times, when we are hearing of grand lodges of the Freemasonry of the original plan sending their representatives to Central America, for the purpose of patching up treaties with, and arranging for recognition of, *soi disant* grand lodges, when it is well known that of the lodges composing such bodies, not one of them is of the "Just, perfect and regular" character; but on the contrary every one of them is founded and built upon dissent from the original plan of Masonry.

Our brother pays his respects to the Proceedings of Illinois, (1916) in very considerate manner, making reference to and quoting from our statistics, with which he is evidently impressed.

He quotes, and is pleased to commend, the views of the reviewer on the general grand lodge proposition, and concerning the use of the flag in lodge ceremonies. He apparently thinks that it is "positively shocking" that it was said last year, by this reviewer that an American could hardly utter an unqualified amen to the grand master's prayer, without violating the president's injunction to preserve strict neutrality. It is not now necessary to argue this point with the distinguished brother. The attitude of our president with reference to the war has changed; likewise that of our country, and we are not only ready now, to say *amen,* but several millions of men, of the best blood of our country are getting ready to help answer the prayer in question.

Of this writer the brother is pleased to say, further—

Brother Martin's feelings are apparently very much hurt at the action of the Grand Lodge of England in endeavoring to preserve harmony among members of its lodges by requiring foreign born members to refrain from attending lodge during the existence of the war. We are ready to admit with him that there is a distinction between members and visitors of lodges; but it cannot be denied that the W. M. of a lodge has the right to exclude, even a member whose presence would mar its harmony, and surely the grand lodge has at least the rights and power of a W. M. in similar cases.

It may as well be admitted that the feelings of all sane and unprejudiced Masons' feelings were hurt by the action of the Mother Grand Lodge, in excluding from all masonic gatherings brethren of German, Hungarian, Austrian or Turkish birth. This action furnishes a precedent that can neither be followed nor defended without cutting loose from masonic principles. The ineffectual attempts of the learned brother himself to defend this action tend to demonstrate that it is unmasonic and indefensible. It is suggested that he re-read the views of Brethren Block of Iowa, (Proceedings of Iowa, 1916), Goodwin of Utah, (Proceedings of Utah, 1916), and Eggleston of Virginia, (Proceedings of Virginia, 1916), in relation to this action, which if he does, we believe that when the time comes that he

may with propriety, he will admit that he is of the same mind as the rest of us, and that he is worse hurt than any of us.

Brother W. W. Williamson, Grand Master, Montreal; Brother Will H. Whyte, Grand Secretary, Montreal.

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## QUEENSLAND

66 Lodges 2,510 Members

The printed proceedings of this grand lodge are recorded in a pamphlet of one hundred thirty-four pages. A special meeting was held at Brisbane on August 10, 1915, at which occurred the installation of the grand master, Brother A. M. Hertzberg, and the investiture of the other grand lodge officers.

Following these ceremonies the grand master delivered an address, in the course of which he said—

We are now in fraternal intercourse with fifty grand lodges—which represent ninety percent of the Freemasons of the world. Yet, withal, some of the brethren of sister constitutions holding in this territory are so unmasonic as to minimise the importance of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, and do not hesitate to tell intending candidates for our constitution that joining us will make them outcasts in Masonry. Happily, such perverted statements are few, yet they have reached us, and in order to arm our brethren with the truth, so that they may controvert them wherever used, grand lodge has printed and distributed to all our lodges a list of all grand jurisdictions with whom we are in fraternal intercourse—setting forth the facts as stated above. True, the grand lodges of England and Scotland still hold aloof, but the vast majority of their adherents here are in full sympathy with us, etc. * * *

The grand master having finished this address, several verbose congratulatory speeches were made by brethren present, all of which were printed in the proceedings, whereupon, the grand lodge went into the business of conferring of "Past Grand Rank." Five brethren were invested with the rank of past deputy grand master; six with that of past grand warden; eleven with that of past senior grand deacon, and one brother was given the rank of past grand sword bearer. There were present at these interesting ceremonies the representatives of forty-three foreign grand lodges, Brother C. H. Harley standing for Illinois.

A "Stated communication" of the grand lodge was held at Brisbane on September 13, 1915. At this meeting the report of the board of general purposes was received. The financial part of the report showed the collec-

tion of L62 12 S. on account of the benevolent fund, and L217 3S. on account of the general fund.

A stated meeting of the grand lodge was held at Brisbane March 13, 1916, at which the Board of General Purposes reported that upon its recommendation the grand master had granted warrants for two new lodges.

These two new lodges were "Consecrated" by the grand master, and the addresses delivered by the grand master on these occasions, respectively, are printed in full in the proceedings, and furnish good reading. One new hall was dedicated by the grand master, and the consecration prayer, and the address of the grand master on this occasion are printed in the proceedings.

On Sunday, May 28, 1916, a special meeting of grand lodge was held at Brisbane, at which "A Lodge of Sorrow," was opened, in memory of Past Grand Master Wm. Jones. Appropriate resolutions of condolence were adopted, and an address was delivered by the grand master.

On June 5, 1916, a stated meeting of the grand lodges was held at Brisbane, at which the board of general purposes nominated a full roster of grand lodge officers for the ensuing year.

On June 12, 1916, another stated meeting was held at the same place, at which the slate so nominated went through without exception, Brother A. M. Hertzberg, being re-elected grand master and Brother Chas. H. Harley was re-appointed grand secretary. The grand master's address at this meeting consisted of an account of the ceremonial visits made to the lodges of his obedience.

At every one of the above mentioned meetings, (except the "Lodge of Sorrow"), just before the record of the closing, comes the solemn announcement, that—

The usual collection in aid of the Widows', Orphans' and Aged Masons' Institution was taken up by the grand deacons.

Appended to the proceedings is a quotation from the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Texas, showing report of the Committee on Correspondence touching the *status* of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, and the troubles under which it has hitherto labored, and still labors, because of the attitude of the grand lodges of England and Scotland in maintaining lodges within its jurisdiction.

This report presents a very fair and full account of the situation, but those who have read these reports of the Committee on Correspondence for the Grand Lodge of Illinois in bygone years, would find little or nothing new in this Texas report, as Brother Robbins, then committee on correspondence, was one of the earliest and mightiest of the defenders of the

rights of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, and through his clear and exhaustive showing of the facts, Illinois was among the first of the grand lodges to recognize it as a sovereign grand lodge.

There is no review of the proceedings of foreign grand lodges in the proceedings.

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## RHODE ISLAND

37 Lodges 126th Annual 9,468 Members

The likeness of Brother Reuben S. Bemis, grand master, adorns the frontispiece of the proceedings of this grand lodge, and elsewhere in the volume appear cuts of the masonic hall at Greenville, (dedicated during the year) and the Chamber of Commerce Building at Providence. The volume contains the printed proceedings of a semi-annual meeting held at Providence November 15, 1915; a "special Communication" held at Greenville, May 13, 1916, and the "Annual Communication" held at Providence May 15, 1916. At all of these meetings the grand master, Brother Reuben S. Bemis presided.

At the semi-annual meeting above mentioned the first business mentioned is the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence on two matters that had apparently been carried over from last year, one of which relates to the matter of publicity, and the other to a decision of a former grand master, reported at the last preceding annual meeting. On the first of these the committee recommended, and the grand lodge ordered—

That nothing shall appear in any lodge notice, programme or other printed matter which shall in the least particular refer to the esoteric work of Freemasonry; any notice or other paper containing the names of the candidates to be ballotted upon or for the work of any degree shall be sent in a sealed envelope.

The other matter reported on by the committee was a decision of the then grand master on the following recital of facts—

A certain brother who has received the first two degrees, (and has paid for all three) is found guilty by a naval court martial of embezzlement and is now under sentence. It being assumed that he would be objected to should he ever present himself for the third degree the question is propounded whether the lodge could refund all or any part of the fee paid, which had been paid for all three of the degrees; that, if permissible should the lodge make re-payment, and if so of what part, and as to the present masonic standing of the brother. The grand master replied that if payment had been made of the fee for the third degree, and advancement to that degree denied, no part of the amount for the first and second degrees

should be refunded to him, but that the fee for the third degree should be refunded, and further that not having taken the third degree, and signed the by-laws, the brother has no standing in the lodge.

The committee very properly found the first part of the grand master's to be correct, and that part thereof which held that the brother had no status in the lodge to be incorrect, reporting that—

It is true that the brother has been found guilty by court martial of conduct which would doubtless demand action by the proper masonic authorities, etc. * * * Until such action is taken, however, the brother is, in the opinion of your committee, a Mason in good standing, etc. * * *

The grand lodge approved the report of the committee on both of these matters.

At this same meeting of the grand lodge a committee appointed at the annual meeting in 1915 to prepare a memorial to Past Grand Master Cyrus M. Van Slyck, deceased, reported, and it was ordered by the grand lodge that the—

Memorial be made a part of the records of this communication, and that a copy under seal of the grand lodge be sent to the family of our late brother.

The grand secretary presented a request from the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands for recognition, and a protest from a body styling itself "Gran Logia Regional de Philipinas No. 2," which were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The "Special Communication" held at Greenville on May 13th, was for the purpose of dedicating the new masonic hall at that place. The ceremonies were followed by a felicitous address by Brother Herbert A. Rice, senior grand warden and a fine sermon by Rev. Brother Levi Brooks Edwards, grand chaplain.

At the annual meeting the grand master delivered an address which fills twenty-three pages, in which the activities of the year are reported.

Under the head of "Necrology" he noted the passing of many prominent craftsmen of his jurisdiction, during the year, but none among the members of his official family appear in the list.

He reported the issuance of twelve dispensations "To attend church"; and three for other purposes of about the same consequence. He reported the conferring of degrees by lodges of his obedience, for lodges of other grand jurisdiction, by courtesy, in a number of cases, and the reciprocal honoring of similar requests made to lodges abroad by Rhode Island lodges, all of which were arranged for by the grand masters concerned.

The grand master reported rather an unusual number of visits to lodges, during the year. It is noticeable that the visits were made generally on the occasion of the annual dinner, annual feast, or some such affair, so that it

would appear that if the record be taken at its face value the grand master must have lived well, if not sumptuously during the year.

Under the topic, "Regalia of Grand Master," it is said in the address—

That we may more nearly conform to an ancient custom of the craft I recommend that due consideration be given the making of such changes in the regalia of our grand master as will cause it to conform, substantially with that of the corresponding officers of the Grand Lodge of England, the original source of duly and legally constituted Masonry in America, and the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the source of Masonry in Rhode Island. The changes recommended include an apron more elaborate in design than the one we now use, and the addition of gauntlets, etc. * * *

This matter was deemed by the grand master of such great importance that he caused it to be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, but no report from the committee appears to have been submitted at this session.

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts is one of the very finest on earth, and one whose practices are worthy to be followed in many respects, but to carry the matter of imitation to the point of following the fashion of their officers' clothing would appear to many of us as squinting in the direction of the grotesque.

The grand master expressed himself in favor of a relaxation of their rule as to physical qualifications of candidates, saying—

A too literal interpretation of this ancient charge might be considered severe. * * * I respectfully urge that the physical qualifications of candidates be considered by the Committee on Jurisprudence, to see if standing order No. 12 cannot be made clearer, etc. * * *

No report from the committee on this matter appears. The order referred to is quoted by the grand master and is as follows—

No man who is unable to perform every part of the work in the three degrees of symbolic Masonry is eligible to receive those degrees.

Between four and five pages of the grand master's address are filled with what he has to say under the topic, "Masonic Home Fund."

It appears that some years since the grand lodge resolved to erect a home, and to commence building operations when it shall acquire a fund in the sum of $50,000.00. The grand master estimates that at the present rate in the accumulation of a fund that sum will be raised in about thirty years. It appears that the sum then aggregated the sum of $5,657.79.

The grand master concluded his address most felicitously, saying, in part—

In looking back over the events of the past, a clearer vision strengthens my belief that the rendering of unselfish service to our fellow beings is the most satisfying experience that can come to man. Helpful service to others is the surest foundation we can lay for enduring contentment. If fraternal love bound all men, how wondrous and beautiful this world would be; this

is the consumation for which we Freemasons are earnestly striving; and as I lay down on the mantle of authority, it is my prayer that our noble institution may continue on its beneficient career until time shall cease to be recorded.

The reports of the five district deputy grand masters are printed in full in the proceedings, and evince great zeal and industry on the part of these officers, and tend to show that the lodges generally are in excellent condition.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the aggregate sum of $5,249.46 of which $4,597.00 was per capita tax from the lodges. The table of returns shows a net increase in membership of 272.

On report and recommendation of the Committee of Foreign Correspondence the Grand Lodge of Queensland was recognized. On report of the same committee the matters of recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France, and the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, were postponed for further investigation.

Brother Wilbur Allen Scott was elected grand master, and Brother S. Penrose Williams was re-elected grand secretary.

There is no published review of the proceedings of other grand lodges.

Brother Wilbur Allen Scott, Grand Master, Freemasons' Hall, Providence; Brother S. Penrose Williams, Grand Secretary, Freemasons' Hall, Providence.

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## SASKATCHEWAN—1916

124 Lodges 10th Annual 6,923 Members

The attractive appearing volume of the proceedings of this grand lodge is adorned by a full page portrait of Brother J. H. Anderson, grand master, clad in a full dress suit of clothes, and in most elaborate and picturesque regalia of the English fashion, gauntlets and all.

The "Annual Communication" was held at Swift Current, commencing on the 21st day of June, 1916. The grand master, Brother William Murray Thomson, "On the throne."

Seven past grand masters lent dignity to the assemblage, and the representatives of twenty-seven foreign grand bodies were reported in the diplomatic circle, the envoy from Illinois, not of this number.

An address of welcome, on behalf of the city of Swift Current was delivered by the mayor, Brother T. W. Hutcheson, and one on behalf of the Masons of the city was delivered by Very Worshipful Brother Mc'Phail. These were appropriately responded to by brethren of the grand lodge designated by the grand master.

Following these preliminaries in the record, appears the grand master's address, which consists of eighteen pages and contains a succinct account of his acts and doings for the year.

The grand master commences his address by a glowing account of the progress in the development of the material resources of the province of Saskatchewan, and concludes by saying—

Saskatchewan as a province has advanced with rapid strides, and to such an extent as to warrant many of its ardent supporters considering it the banner providence of the dominion. Let us now see how far Masonry has developed and kept pace with the phenomenal growth that has been taking place all around it. Before the province had completed the first year of its existence the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan A. F. & A. M. was happily launched forth on its career with 29 constituent lodges, 5 of which were under dispensation, and a membership of about 900. Its development and progress have exceeded the most sanguine hopes and expectations of those who took part in the inaugural ceremonies in the city of Regina on August 9, 1906. * * * To the 29 lodges we have added 96, making a total of 125 lodges in working order, with a membership of over 7,000 at the present time. * * *

The grand master makes some observations that point to conditions that are not entirely peculiar to his grand jurisdiction, it is feared. He says—

There does not appear to be sufficient interest taken by the majority of the members in the routine work of the lodge; there appears to be much less interest taken in the deeper subjects which go far to improve the moral and mental aspects of the man and mason. Did we join the masonic fraternity simply that we might have the privilege of wearing masonic jewelry on our neckties, our fingers, our watch-chains or the lapel of our coats? To look at the persons one meets on our sidewalks and on our street or railroad cars, one would think that 50 percent of the men of the country were members of our fraternity; but how few of the vast quantity of masonic bejeweled individuals do, we find in our lodges on the night of a regular or emergent meeting? * * * I attribute the lack of interest in lodge work shown by too many of our members to nothing more nor less than a lack of knowledge of what is meant by Masonry. * * * A candidate is pushed through the various stages of his masonic growth and then in many cases allowed to shift for himself. * * * To the average man, simply putting him through the three ceremonies of his novitiate does not do him a great deal of good. * * * I have suggested in various lodges where I have visited that the actual practical work of the lodge be taken up only on emergent meetings, and that the regular meetings be devoted to study and discussion of masonic truths and ideals, and until some such regular and methodical study of masonic lore and tradition is undertaken we will have but half hearted attendance, and unsatisfactory work. I hold it as a fundamental principle

that we owe more to our candidates than simply to make them Master Masons.

The grand master reported the constituting, during the year, of five new lodges, two in person and three by proxy, and the granting of nine dispensations for new lodges. The dedication of one new hall, (by proxy), is reported. Eighty-two special dispensations are reported, of which forty-four were for the purpose of authorizing lodges "To appear in public in regalia," and the balance were for purposes about as important. Two of them were for the purpose of granting permission to wear masonic regalia at a ball, and one was to permit a lodge to hold an emergent meeting "*Without seven clear days' notice.*" Here in Illinois we have a cloudy day every now and then, but a notice goes just the same, without the grand master's dispensation. One dispensation was granted—

To heal a brother unlawfully made a Mason in Scotland, while the material of a Saskatchewan lodge.

Five decisions, or "Rulings" are announced, one of which is deemed of such consequence as to warrant its re-production, to-wit—

I held that the passing of the collection plate around the lodge when the candidate is standing in the Northeast angle of the lodge in the first degree was not permissible.

It is interesting to conjecture what the grand master's ruling would have been if the candidate had been in some other posture than that of standing, in some other angle of the lodge than that of the Northeast, or in some other degree than that of the first. This important decision was approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge and is likely to meet with general approval throughout the masonic world.

The reports of the fifteen district deputy grand masters fill eighty-eight pages of the proceedings, and evince much painstaking industry on the part of these officers, and a fairly prosperous condition existing in most of the lodges.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $13,343.08, of which $6,029.45 was on account of dues, fees, etc., $4,007.43 on account of the benevolent fund, and the balance from divers sources.

From the same report an increase on membership of 246 is shown.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters seven new lodges were granted charters, and two were continued under dispensation.

The Committee on "Condition of Masonry," reported, among other things commending the work of the district deputy grand masters, and recommended that the rank of past deputy grand masters be conferred upon

them. The recommendation was concurred in, and fifteen brethren were made happy.

Brother John Hawkins Anderson was elected grand master, and Brother W. B. Tate, (past grand master), was re-elected grand secretary.

The record shows that the—

Grand master requested the grand representatives of the various grand lodges present to rise and addressing them briefly requested them to carry greetings and best wishes to the respective grand lodges which they represented.

On behalf of the representatives, response to this recognition was made by Brother A. Shepphard, the envoy of Scotland. Following the installation of grand officers it appears that—

A past grand master's regalia was presented to Most Worshipful Bro. W. M. Thomson, the retiring grand master.

There is published in the proceedings a review of "Sister Grand Jurisdictions" subscribed by Brother A. S. Gorrell chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. It consists of two hundred twenty-four pages and is well prepared. Illinois is treated with fraternal courtesy and consideration in this review, six pages being devoted to its proceedings for 1915.

He notices, and in part reproduces what is said in Brother Burnap's annual report concerning concerted action for the promotion of universal peace; and the report of the dedication of the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital. The report of the Committee on Jurisprudence on Brother Jason Lewis' resolution is re-produced in full. He likewise re-produces the report and recommendation of the same committee on the mis-use of the term "Masonic." The next Annual will be held at Saskatoon, June 20, 1917.

Brother John H. Anderson, Grand Master, Saskatoon; Brother W. B. Tate, Grand Secretary, Regina.

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## SCOTLAND

Proceedings not received in time for insertion here—if they come later will be at the end of report.

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1917

77 Lodges 33rd Annual 6,020 Members

The half-yearly communication of this grand lodge was held at Adelaide, commencing October 5, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form and presided over by the grand master, Brother Eustace B. Grundy, K. C. At this meeting the grand master delivered a brief address, covering barely three pages. As might be expected, a great part of the address dealt with the subject of the great war, and matters incident thereto. He says, in part—

The great and devastating war has pursued its course of bloodshed and destruction. Many thousands of brave men have made the supreme sacrifice for the empire, etc. * * * Unhappily there are no signs of the end, but the prospects of ultimate victory—complete and crushing—are far better tonight than they were when we last assembled in this place. * * *

The grand master announced the decease during the year of many members of lodges, of local prominence, but none within the circle of grand lodge officers. Concluding his address the brother reverently said—

And now we part, to meet again, God willing, in a new year six months hence. Great events may have occurred in the world before then; but come what may, let it be ours to serve God, honour the king, uphold our noble order, and do our duty. Brethren, I ask you to arise and sing the national anthem. * * *

At this meeting on report of the Board of General Purposes fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Queensland.

The annual communication was held at Adelaide, commencing April 18, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, the other grand lodges being in their respective places. There were present the representatives of nineteen foreign grand jurisdictions, the envoy of Illinois, not of the number. At this meeting occurred the election of grand lodge officers, which resulted in the choice of Brother Eustace B. Grundy, as grand master, and of Brother Charles R. J. Glover as grand secretary. Following his re-election the grand master delivered an address at considerable length, referring first to his re-election as grand master, he said—

When I say that I thank you, I want you to understand me that I serve the craft as its humble servant. Mark you, service is the highest and noblest thing a man can give.

This fitly expresses a fine conception of what really belongs to a grand master.

Concerning the two hundredth anniversary of the Grand Lodge of England, he said—

The great event in England this year is the Bi-Centenary of the Grand Lodge of England to be held on June 24th, (St. John the Baptist's day,). It had been intended that a great festivity should mark that historic occasion, but the war has stopped that. There is to be a religious service on the Sunday, and a special meeting of the grand lodge at the Albert Hall on the Monday, at which the grand master will preside; but beyond that the festivities have been abandoned. I have decided there will be no festivities here. (Hear, hear.) This is no time to spend money on festivals. (Applause.)

Concerning the action taken at the former meeting with reference to Queensland, the grand master said—

The recognition of the Grand Lodge of Queensland was the most important event in our masonic life during the past year. It is our profound wish and hope that all differences in Queensland will be adjusted, and that we may have in that great state a united craft under the sovereign jurisdiction of a united grand lodge.

That which our distinguished brother so ardently desires can be brought to pass very naturally and easily, if the Grand Lodges of Scotland and England can be induced to withdraw from the territory of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, and grant the lodges of their respective planting therein freedom to act in the matter of acknowledging the supremacy of the Grand Lodge of Queensland, and procuring charters from it. This would without doubt assure a condition which the brother, and all parties concerned very much desire, and which would be highly gratifying to the masonic world. Concerning the war, the grand master said, in part—

One event of the very highest importance has occurred since last we met. America has found herself, and has come right in with the allies. Her great power to help is now secured, and with men, ships, and above all with money, she can and will materially assist to bring this war to an end. (Applause.) And now, what of ourselves, as men and Freemasons? I venture to assert that the six thousand Freemasons in this State, and the thousands upon thousands of Freemasons in the Empire, have upon them a great and solemn duty; parenthetically, let me remind you that America has one and a half million Masons in her Constitution. The principles of our noble order proclaim that duty. It is before our eyes this night. It is the duty represented by service and self-sacrifice. * * *

On report and recommendation of the Board of General Purposes, fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year on account of the General Fund of the sum of £2249 S 13 d 7 and on account of the Benevolent Fund of the sum of £746 S 4 d 1.

The same report shows a net increase of membership of 163.

In the report of the grand inspector of lodges it is said—

The outstanding feature of the year has been the inauguration of the group system of lodges of instruction. * * * It has been my privilege to

hold three group lodges of instruction, and in each instance the brethren expressed great satisfaction with the scheme, and are eagerly awaiting their next visit. Some of the brethren are so enthused over the idea that they are asking that visits might be paid twice a year, etc. * * *

There is a report on foreign correspondence subscribed by no fewer than twelve brethren, all of whom apparently contributed to the labor of the preparation of the report. It covers about one hundred pages of the proceedings and is a brief *resume* of current activities in the masonic world. Very cordial and considerate treatment is accorded to the Proceedings of Illinois, for the year 1916. From the initials subscribed it is inferred that the review of Illinois was written by Brother Samuel H. Good, one of the members of the committee, in which review it is said—

With a limited space at our command, we realize our inability to adequately review the proceedings of this grand lodge. Numbering as it does 847 lodges, with a membership of 148,000, we can only touch the more important items presented for consideration in the report. As we said last year, we look for big figures—and find them. * * *

He takes note of what is in Grand Master Wheeler's report stated concerning routine matters such as official visits, corner stones laid, and lodges constituted. Also what is in the report stated concerning the monitor, and cipher rituals. He make allusion to what is in the report said concerning schools of instruction, and quotes in part what is said concerning the "Study side" of Masonry. Commenting on the last named matter, our brother says—

We heartily agree with M. W. Brother Wheeler on his statement of the existence of the evil, but not with his suggestion that the grand lodge is responsible for the curative means to be adopted. It is quite true that the employment of lectures is a palliative, but how much better would it not be if each lodge set aside an evening, now and again for an exposition by the W. master of the true aims of the craft, etc. * * *

Notice is taken of the review, and concerning the same, objection is made to the taste of the writer, in relating that Brother Way, late grand master of South Australia, had "gone the way of all the earth," and the ritual incident in which Brother Fidler played an important part, as in the grand master's address reported. (Appendix part 1, Proceedings of 1916, page 200.) Our distinguished brother says—

While we yield to no one in our love for a harmless joke, we decidedly object to bad puns. * * * And we think it was not in the best of taste to refer to Bro. Fidler as you did. * * * As to the first matter complained of, the same form of expression was used originally by King David, (I Kings, 2, and 2), but inasmuch as the revered grand master whose decease was noted was surnamed *Way*, it would have been better to have used some other phraseology, and our brother may be assured that we shall not again offend him in this respect. As to the incident of the Turks shooting a hole in Brother Fidler's ritual, in the comment thereon, there was no conscious purpose to reflect discourteously upon Brother Fidler, or the grand master, nor

to justify the Turks, but the mild little discharge from this type-writer, was aimed at the practice of permitting the esoteric work of Masonry to be published in a printed or cipher ritual. From what was related by the grand master it was thought that it must necessarily be inferred that the "Ritual" in Brother Fidler's jacket pocket was a printed or cipher ritual of Masonry, and this being true, it does not exactly appear that any apology for the comment thereon is in order. We appreciate our brother's lecture as to the "Way" matter, and regret that he is displeased at the comment of the Fidler incident.

Brother EUSTACE B. GRUNDY, K. C., Grand Master; Brother CHARLES R. J. GLOVER, Grand Secretary, Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide.

## SOUTH CAROLINA—1916

268 LODGES 140TH (180TH?) ANNUAL 17,397 MEMBERS

The annual meeting of the grand lodge of South Carolina was held at Charleston, commencing December 12, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by Brother R. A. Cooper, grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Eight past grand masters were in attendance at the opening, also, the representatives of forty-six foreign grand bodies, the envoy of Illinois not of this number, The grand master's address contains an account of his official acts and doings, and with the several exhibits covers thirty-five pages of the proceedings.

Under the head of "Necrology" announcement is made of the death of Rev. Brother William Pinckney Smith, for many years grand chaplain, and of other brethren of local prominence. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions mention is made of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

Under the head of "Masonic home fund," the grand master said—

A great deal has been said on the floor of this grand lodge during the past several years with reference to the work of our masonic home trustees, and our method of dispensing charity. I am more and more convinced each year that the plan which we have adopted temporarily should be made permanent. * * * If we decide definitely to abandon the idea of building a masonic home, and to adopt our present method of extending relief, as I hope we will do, I recommend that the word "Home" be omitted in the designation of the board, and that a more appropriate term be decided upon by the grand lodge.

Under the head of "Official Visitations" the grand master said—

I have not been in a position to visit officially as many of the subordinate lodges as I desired to do, I have however visited the following lodges,

Whereupon a list of nine lodges is given.

Sixty-nine special dispensations were reported by the grand master, thirty-four to permit lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as provided by the by-laws; twenty-one permitting the conferring of more than five, and not to exceed ten degrees at the same meeting; six permitting lodges to change time or place of meeting, and the balance for purposes of about the same consequence.

The constituting of four lodges is reported; also, the granting of three dispensations to form new lodges. Three corner stones were laid and one masonic temple dedicated.

Under the topic, "Circular letters approved," the grand master reported—

I authorized the Salvation Army of Greenville, S. C., to issue a circular letter to the various subordinate lodges of this grand jurisdiction, asking aid for the rescue home at Greenville, S. C.

This may be all right, but, on the first reading this writer suspected his eyes were out of order, and until he put on his strongest eye-glasses was unwilling to believe. The action of the grand master in this regard was approved by the Committee on Grand Master's Address, and the grand lodge, and so far as South Carolina is concerned it must be all right. It certainly is proper and commendable for Masons who have the means, and the disposition, to contribute, as individuals, to such humanitarian purposes as in the opinion of the individual donor, are timely and expedient, but the appropriation of the funds of lodges to such benefactions, however reliable and worthy the donees may be, is quite a different matter. However, it does not appear from the record that any lodge contributed, so, no more of this.

Under the topic, "George Washington Masonic Memorial Association" the grand master reported his attendance upon the meeting held in Alexandria, Va., in February, 1916, and waxes eloquent and enthusiastic in commendation of this project. He said, *inter alia*—

I am unwilling to attempt a description of the entertainment accorded us, for the reason that my effort would fail to do justice to our brethren of Alexandria. If any of you have any idea that the Masons of Alexandria have an ulterior motive in connection with this enterprise, dismiss is from your minds now. * * *

To those who, like this writer have tramped over the hills around Alexandria, and who have been informed of the price paid for the particular hill where the Washington Memorial (proposed,) is to be erected, it is easy to appreciate how necessary, and how timely is the assurance thus given. Moreover this assurance will tend to make Brother Thomas J. Shryock of Maryland feel jolly, and whoever among the rest of us does not feel jolly ought to be ashamed of himself. It ought to be well understood

that no Freemason on the Western Continent would at this day, in the least infinitismal degree, discount the character and services of Washington, who beyond controversy was among the very greatest of men of modern times, but scores and thousands of us see in the pretended discovery of that which is not true, that any considerable portion of his earthly activities were devoted to Freemasonry, or that Freemasonry was in any marked degree affected by his performance, a tendency to lay the institution under liability to the charge of toadyism, and to furnish the profane, at the least presumptive evidence of the truth of the charge.

The grand master reported correspondence had with the grand master of Oregon, concerning the proposed conference of grand masters, and was particular to note, in his acceptance of the invitation to attend the contemplated conference, that he personally, as well as his grand lodge, would have nothing to do with the movement for the formation of a general grand lodge.

Thirty-two decisions were announced by the grand master, none of which are of any particular interest generally of which two were disapproved, four were modified, and all the balance were approved by the committee, and the grand lodge. Of these decisions the grand master said—

Most of the matters referred to me raise questions easily answered by reference to the constitution and code. I think it a good plan to report all rulings, even though no difficult question is involved, etc. * * *

Most masonic jurists will disagree with the view expressed in the last part of the language quoted.

The 32nd, and last decision of the distinguished brother must be reproduced, for the reason that it is doubtless a correct interpretation of South Carolina law, and is also in accord with masonic usage and practice; it is as follows—

No. 32. No part of any of the degrees of symbolic Masonry can be communicated, but each candidate must go through in regular form.

Following the grand master's address appear in the proceedings the reports of the twenty district deputy grand masters, which constitute interesting reading, and tend to show a fair state of prosperity among the lodges.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $21,412.60 from constituent lodges. The table of returns shows an apparent net gain in membership of 685. The report of the trustees of the Masonic Home Fund showed a balance on hand of $122,641.89, and concludes as follows—

We recommend the continuance of the present method of dispensing aid to our worthy distressed brethren, their wives, widows and orphans.

Brethren R. A. Cooper and O. Frank Hart were both re-elected grand master and grand secretary, respectively.

An item of some interest and consequence in the proceedings was the report of the committee on the age of the grand lodge, appointed at the last annual session. In the opening of the report it is stated that—

In consequence of the destruction by fire in the conflagrations of 1777, 1822 and 1838, we have been compelled to seek information from contemporaneous sources, which we believe to be worthy of all confidence as being historically accurate beyond reasonable controversy.

Inasmuch as the report covers six closely printed pages, space cannot be afforded for its reproduction, but for such of our Illinois brethren as cultivate the antiquary habit, the epochal dates and events, as given in the recapitulation of the committee, must suffice.

In 1736, a Provincial grand master was deputized of South Carolina in America. In 1737, the Provincial grand lodge was unquestionably in active existence. In 1754, the Provincial grand lodge was reorganized. In 1777, the Provincial charter was thrown off, and the title changed to the Independent Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons. In 1791, this cumbersome title was shortened, when the grand lodge was incorporated by act of assembly as The Grand Lodge of the Society of Free and Accepted Masons for this State. In 1817, a long desired union was affected with the "Grand Lodge of the State of South Carolina Ancient York Mason" under the title of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Freemasons of South Carolina. In 1818, a new act of incorporation was passed by the general assembly. In 1854, led into error by an historical blunder, committed by Dr. Dalcho, the grand lodge celebrated with great elaboration its supposed centennial. In 1876, the grand secretary wrongly numbered the proceedings of the grand lodge the one hundredth annual communication, an error which has since persisted. In 1877, an attempt, fortunately abortive, was made to again celebrate a centennial anniversary.

Concluding, it is further stated by the committee that—

Through all these years, notwithstanding the changes of title, the continuity of the life of the grand lodge remained undisturbed, and from the facts above disclosed we reach the conclusion that the present year is the one hundred and eightieth anniversary of the *oldest grand lodge in the Western Hemisphere.* The Grand Lodge of Ancient Freemasons of South Carolina.

The report was adopted by a rising vote, whereupon, it was resolved—

That the next annual communication of the grand lodge be numbered the one hundred and eighty-first communication.

It is altogether safe to conjecture that when the statement of the committee concerning "The oldest grand lodge of the Western Hemisphere," is subjected to the scrutiny of certain distinguished brethren of Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and (perhaps) New Jersey, it will not go unchallenged, but that others will have something to say as to who is entitled to the "Age."

There is a "Review of Proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions," subscribed by Brother J. L. Michie, consisting of 207 very readable pages.

In his conclusion, our brother well says—

The one great outstanding event of the year has been the resolution passed by the Grand Lodge of England excluding from her subordinate lodges, during the continuance of the war, all Masons of enemy alien birth. * * * Such wholesale legislation against brother Masons who are members of subordinate lodges is bound to have a very baleful effect upon our fraternity at large, and gives the enemies of Freemasonry a powerful weapon to be wielded against her. * * *

Six of his interesting pages are devoted to a review of Illinois, (1915), and whether his main object was to compliment Illinois, or to utterly demolish the notions of Brother Owen Scott, concerning the propriety of attending divine service in lodge trappings, and the question as to whether, or not the so-called Past Master's degree should be regarded as an integral part of ancient craft Masonry, deponent saith not. From the space employed it would appear that the brother is very much concerned in vindicating his own notions. The brother is certainly entitled to his own opinions on these matters, but after all his labored argument and citation of authorities, it might as well be frankly stated that we in Illinois are still of the opinion of Brother Scott, that the Past Master's degree is no part of Masonry, and is an unjustifiable archaism, and that the attendance of church in masonic clothing is a species of "Dress-parade" well calculated to make Masonry appear common and cheap, if not worse. Our brother notes what Brother Burnap says in his annual report in commendation of the district deputy grand masters; his notice of the death of Brethren Edward Cook, and Gen. John C. Black; what is therein said concerning "Moon lodges"; what is therein said concerning the man desiring to be relieved of the attentions of the lady, supposed to be a member of the Eastern Star. Of the last named matter he says—

Why, O why did not Brother Burnap tell us how he advised the poor Adonis to escape the allurements of this Becky Sharpe?

He takes notice of what the grand master reported concerning the Royal Arch Memorial Hospital; the revision of the book of ceremonies, providing a funeral ceremony for cases of Cremation and expresses regret that the oration of Brother Darrah, past grand master was not published; concerning the last mentioned matter, he says—

We are extremely sorry for this; perhaps we might have seen some reference to the *Dear Old Moon*, which gave him so much trouble in 1912.

Of the review he says, in part—

We like Brother Scott's style of writing. He reviews the work of the different jurisdictions and comments as he goes along. * * * He is a firm believer in Institutional AID. Thinks the HOME idea far superior to what he terms the "Farming out" plan. * * * Right here we differ very widely with Brother Scott, etc. * * *

Whereupon the brother proceeds to present a strong plea, (at least from their standpoint,) for the plan in practice in South Carolina.

The next annual meeting will be held at Charleston, December 11, 1917.

Brother R. A. Cooper, Grand Master, Laurens; Brother O. Frank Hart, Grand Secretary, Columbia.

## SOUTH DAKOTA—1917

147 Lodges 43rd Annual 12,226 Members

A photogravure of the retiring grand master, Brother James Roane, appears upon the fly-leaf of the printed proceedings of this grand lodge, and on the page immediately following is a brief biographical sketch of the distinguished brother. The annual communication was held at Hot Springs, commencing June 12, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, assisted by the full roster of grand lodge officers. Adding dignity to the assemblage fifteen past grand masters were in attendance. In the diplomatic circle were the representatives of thirty-two foreign grand jurisdictions, the Grand Lodge of Illinois, not of the list.

The annual address of the grand master is brief and succinct, but gives a fair account of his official acts and doings. Announcement was made of the death during the year of Brother William S. Stockwell, past junior grand warden, and of other brethren of local prominence. Among the distinguished dead of "Sister" grand jurisdictions, the name of Brother Albert B. Ashley, past grand master of Illinois was announced.

The grand master reported the granting of four dispensations authorizing the formation of new lodges; the laying of one corner stone; the constituting of one new lodge, and the dedication of one new hall.

Eighteen special dispensations were reported, twelve permitting lodges to confer degrees, and six to install officers "out of time."

Five decisions were reported, in one of which it was held that—

A petition is not received until it has been duly presented and accepted by unanimous ballot on duly seconded motion.

Dissenting from this the Committee on Jurisprudence reported that the proper way to receive a petition for the degrees is, after the secretary has read the petition, the—

Master shall say substantially; brethren, you have heard the petition read, and if there are no objections the petition will be received. It is received, and referred to the following Committee on Investigation—.

Presumably the holding of the committee is in accord with the South Dakota code, but in Illinois as in most other grand jurisdictions, either

method might be followed,—a vote of the lodge being necessary, only in cases where the lodge might decline to receive the petition.

Another decision was by the same committee modified, so as to read as follows—

No lodge has the right to demand of a brother the production of any receipt for dues except the one last issued to him.

The modification by the committee consisted in elimination certain language of the grand master following that above quoted, which it is presumed, the committee considered *obiter dictum.* Quite likely, the decision, as modified, is in harmony with South Dakota law, but so far as this writer has learned the only thing giving color of propriety to the practice of requiring the production of any receipt is the modern fad for documentary evidence. This fad does not commend itself to the old fashioned sort of Masons, but perhaps conditions justify us in falling in with it, as grand lodges pretty generally have done.

As tending to show how slow we are in apprehending the genius and spirit of Masonry, the grand master was called upon to decide the following—

What would be the standing of a member if he should join the Catholic Church?

The grand master decided that—

Masonry does not concern itself with the creed, sect or religious opinion of its members, etc. * * *

Which was eminently correct.

The grand master reported another decision which will scarcely be followed as a precedent in most grand jurisdictions. A petitioner was elected to receive the degrees, but before initiation one of his legs was amputated between the knee and ankle, and the grand master was asked to decide whether or not the degrees could thereafter be conferred. It appears that the candidate—

Procured an artificial leg, and by constant practice became able to use it in very nearly as good a manner as though it were natural, etc. * * *

The grand master decided that the degrees should be conferred upon him, and added—

In view of the very great difference of opinion that now obtains as to physical qualifications for initiation, I respectfully recommend that this grand lodge place its unequivocal interpretation of landmark eighteen on record.

The Committee on Jurisprudence and the grand lodge approved the grand master's holding in the case cited, but strange to say gave in substance, the interpretation of the landmark in question, that is given by the Illinois code. (No. 443, Illinois Code.)

The grand master called attention to the fact that in some cases the terms, "meeting," and "communication" are used interchangeably, and said—

If this unfortunate condition is suffered to continue, the use of the good old masonic word "Communication" with the proper prefix, "Stated," "Special" and "Festival," will ultimately become obsolete; and the fraternity as a whole will lose terms that have a peculiar masonic meaning. The coming together of Masons, in their character as Masons is termed Communication. * * * A lodge of Masons has therefore a peculiar and appropriate term to designate its official coming together; a term that has dignity, character and meaning; a term that is not indiscriminately applied to the meetings of other assemblies of men or organizations; but one which when spoken or written, declares at once its masonic significance. * * *

Whereupon the grand master recommended action by the grand lodge, making it obligatory upon lodges to use the word communication. This being referred to the committee on by-laws was reported on as follows—

Your committee agrees with the conclusion of the grand master that the word "communication" is the proper term to be used in designating the coming together of Masons in lodge, and we recommend that in all written records of lodges particularly, the word communication be used, and further, that in the event of a revision of the by-laws of the grand lodge, that the word "Communication" be used exclusively for this purpose.

The report was adopted by the grand lodge. This action was both timely and proper, and while it may be admitted that this appears a rather small matter, yet it is one of those small matters which contribute to keep Masonry separate from its modern "would be" imitations, and on this account is very important. Formerly, in Illinois, as elsewhere generally, the word "communication" was almost universally used, until some years since we had a grand master who was induced to believe that his taste was superior to that of "The original rulers and patrons of Freemasonry," and fancied himself for the time being a sort of "Masonic Pope," by whose *ipse dixit* it was made "meeting" in Illinois. This of course was a mistake and is deplorable chiefly as tending to bring Masonry down to the level of the caucus, the town meeting and the thousand and one cheap imitations of Masonry.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $16,791.90, of which $10,515.30 was dues, $6,112.30 was on account of the Charity Fund and the balance was derived from divers other sources. The same report shows a net gain in membership during the year of 522. Concerning the flag ceremony, by resolution passed a year ago, recommended to the lodges, the grand secretary reported—

So far as I have been able to learn the ceremony is now practically universal throughout the jurisdiction.

On report and recommendation of the committee on lodges U. D. it was ordered that charters be issued to four new lodges.

In the grand master's address it was recommended that the grand lodge subscribe whatever sum might appear expedient for Liberty Bonds, and on report and recommendation of the Committee on Finance, it was ordered by the grand lodge that $4,000.00 of the Charity Fund be thus invested. On written report and recommendation of the Committee on Correspondence the Grand Lodge of Panama was extended fraternal recognition.

A Committee on Resolutions made report, which was unanimously adopted, and in this, among other things, it was—

Resolved, that we, the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the state of South Dakota, in annual communication assembled, pledge the government of the United States our unswerving support, and to our country our best efforts, our fortunes and our lives to the end that victory may crown our arms, and that government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth.

Brother Fred A. Rugg was elected grand master, and Brother George A. Pettigrew was re-elected grand secretary.

Brother Roane, the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's jewel in a brief and fitting address by Past Grand Master Milligan.

It would appear that the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star was in session at the same time, and in the same town as the grand lodge, and a committee of the latter was appointed to communicate to the former the compliments and best wishes of the latter. Just before the closing of the grand lodge this courtesy was reciprocated, and a deputation from the grand chapter was admitted, (the grand lodge being at refreshment). The oratory of the spokesman for this committee printed in the proceedings, was fitting for the occasion.

The report on correspondence is again by Brother Samuel A. Brown, and was presented to grand lodge by Brother C. L. Brockway, who explained that Brother Brown was detained at home by professional business.

It consists of two hundred twenty-four pages, and is well written. In his review of British Columbia it is said—

We should be glad if some one would look up the matter and let us know when the term "*York Rite*" appeared. We are of the opinion that it did not show up until the Scottish Rite was trying to get some sort of masonic recognition, and that the new name was bestowed by the latter's adherents.

No doubt the brother is right. The term "*Rite*" with a big "*R*" has no place in the vocabulary of Masonry, and must be of the terminology of some of the bodies among its imitations. (Masonic Life and Service of Joseph Robbins, page 76).

Our brother's review of the Proceedings of Illinois, 1917, covers five pages of the printed proceedings, and is considerate and fraternal in char-

acter. He mentions what is in the grand master's report said concerning the advisory council, and the division of the grand jurisdiction into three regions, under charge of the three officers next to him in rank, and the successful working of this scheme of administration. He refers to what is in the report stated concerning "Schools," and the plan of devoting one session of the school to a lecture on something besides ritual. He is attracted by what the grand master said concerning the flag, and re-produces the poetry used as the "Cap-sheaf" to his preachment. He notes what is said in the grand master's report concerning our homes, and quotes from Brother Hilliker's address, and of our children at La Grange says—

They are a fine looking lot of children. There is a group picture of boys and another of girls. The school district at La Grange tried to get rid of them, but the courts would not consent.

Our brother remarks, that—

A number of attempts were made to get legislation making it a misdemeanor for a brother to make use of the word *Masonic* as a designation for any kind of business enterprise. All wanted to make a string of exceptions.

If, instead of saying "*All*," our distinguished brother had said *all grafters* wanted to make a string of exceptions, he would have said just what many believe. He is pleased to express himself in commendation of the labors of this writer appearing in the review, which is joyfully acknowledged and highly appreciated.

The next Annual will be held at Aberdeen, June 11, 1918.

Brother Fred H. Rugg, Grand Master, Yankton; Brother George A. Pettigrew, Grand Secretary, Sioux Falls.

## TASMANIA—1916

A diminutive pamphlet of only seventeen pages contains the published proceedings of this grand lodge, at the "Half-yearly communication thereof, held at Hobart, August 25, 1916, and a special, held at the same place October 3, 1916. At the former meeting the grand lodge was opened in ample form with solemn prayer, the grand master, Brother Sir William Ellison-McCartney, presiding. The Boards of General Purposes and Benevolence reported, and the chief business of the grand lodge appears to have been its action upon these reports. The Board of General Purposes recommended an amendment to the regulations controlling elections, a provision for a "Roll of Honour," in which to preserve a record of members enlisting for active service in the war, and asked confirmation of its action in

expelling two members of lodges for unmasonic conduct, all of which was agreed to by the grand lodge. This business disposed of the grand master delivered an address, which fills four pages, and contains an account of his ceremonial visits to the lodges under his obedience, and his views on the question: Can a grand lodge adjourn, which question he treats in what he doubtless considers an exhaustive manner, and comes to a conclusion deemed to be a variance with the general holding among masonic jurists.

The general trend of opinion being to the effect that a grand lodge like a lodge, cannot adjourn, but that the intervals, at a session, when the grand lodge is not actually at labor are marked by calling from labor to refreshment. So far as known this is the universal practice among American grand lodges, with the sole exception of New York, where these intervals are marked by adjournment. One other precedent cited by the grand master, is that of the United Grand Lodge of England, which as he says in 1856 did actually adjourn. It appears that at a former annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania, held on the 24th day of February, it was found inexpedient to complete the labors of the grand lodge, and an adjournment was taken till the 17th day of March following.

No objection to adjournment appears to have been made, either at the time the grand lodge adjourned, or at the meeting thereafter held pursuant to such adjournment, nor was the regularity of the business transacted at the adjourned meeting questioned, but long after the matter had been supposed to be a closed incident, the grand master was told that a grand lodge cannot adjourn, and the grand master appears to have been minded to show, not only that the grand lodge of Tasmania had adjourned, but that it may properly do so whenever it appears to be convenient or necessary.

One of the grand master's arguments was that—

Whenever a power of discussion exists there must be also a power of adjournment.

This is a correct statement as applied to deliberative bodies, generally, but it is not true as to lodges, for there the power of discussion exists, but not the power of adjournment, because by the exercise of this power, a lodge might be prevented from acting at all. Another argument of the grand master was to the effect that the fact that a "Private lodge" is inhibited from adjourning, can not be applied as a precedent for a sovereign body with inherent powers of its own. It would appear however that if not in the nature of a precedent for grand lodges, this inhibition upon lodges constitutes the best sort of argument against the practice of "adjourning" by the latter. The grand master concluded his long discourse on "Adjournment" and his address, as follows—

You will deduce from my argument that the course which the grand lodge took at the last annual communication can in no sense be a violation of the ancient landmarks of our order.

Granting this to be true, it constitutes a precedent which will probably be more frequently "honored by the breach than the observance."

There appear to be thirty-one constituent lodges, but there is nothing to indicate the number of members, nor are there any returns from lodges, save the names and addresses of the masters and secretaries.

There is no report on foreign correspondence.

Brother Sir William Ellison-McCartney, Grand Master; Brother John Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

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## TENNESSEE—1917

457 Lodges 103rd Annual 29,258 Members

The book containing the printed Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee is embellished by full page pictures of the retiring and the in-coming grand masters, Brethren Charles Barham and John T. Peeler, both of whom are rather fine appearing men. The annual meeting was held at Freemason's Hall in Nashville, commencing January 31, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form and presided over by the grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Eighteen past grand masters illuminated the assemblage by their presence, and the representatives of thirty-four foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Brother J. T. Spaulding, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address fills fifty-one pages, giving an account of his official acts and doings, and expressing his views on a number of matters, and shows him not only to be very level-headed, but to have been in more than one respect a record-breaker as a grand master.

In language expressive of bereavement, he announced the death, during the year of Brother Caswell A. Goodloe, past grand master. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, he made mention of Brother William H. Scott, past grand master of Illinois.

Under the topic, "Visits Made," the grand master reported that he had made three hundred and twenty-seven visits, to three hundred fourteen lodges, located in seventy-two counties, which required him to travel 15,097 miles.

This is one of the ways in which the grand master surely broke the record.

In summing up what he has to say on this topic the grand master said—

There is not in Tennessee today a bright lodge that is not an enthusiastic lodge, nor an enthusiastic lodge that is not a growing lodge. And this must be so, for if our profession is such that knowledge does not produce zeal, and if zeal so caused is not of that character which exhibits itself, without as well as within the lodge, and by its manifestation in our lives encourages and persuades other men to ask admittance, then the order (institution,) is a sham, and a delusion and not worth the while of earnest men. Again it will be found that our lodges have largely flourished in proportion to their opportunities for instruction, and here it is we at once find the secret both of the proportionately greater strength and growth of town and city lodges, as well as the remedy for our weakness as a whole.

Under the head of "Instruction," the grand master said—

If based upon all that has been seen and heard during the year, one suggestion and one recommendation only could be made, there would be no hesitation in its choice. No one in the smallest way familiar with conditions as they obtain, and holding the interest of the fraternity at heart, can question the urgent and imperative need for better instruction of our lodges. * * * There are lodges in Tennessee, (I myself during the year have sat in more than one of them) in which it is admitted that with only their own membership, not one of the three degrees of symbolic Masonry can be conferred. I have visited a lodge, and heard its master admit that he could neither open nor close, and that he never expected to be able to do the work.* * * Our border lodges have a mixture of the work of two or more states, and even, at times as I also have seen, the work of another state in its entirety. * * * On one occasion during the year, in the conferring of a degree, I heard the recitation of Thanatopsis and of Hamlet's Soliloquy, with speeches on the glory of the American flag, the life and character of George Washington, and a long and tragic lamentation of unknown origin,—all beautiful in themselves, and beautifully done, but all wholly out of place. * * * To say this is immaterial, and that Freemasonry attaches small importance to its forms and words, so long as the principles remain unimpaired, seems mere confusion of thought. * * * It should be remembered that Freemasonry has no monopoly of the virtues it teaches. * * * We do not alone possess those great basic principles upon which character is built, but we do alone possess a certain mode or method by which they are taught—and that mode or method is the adopted ritual of symbolic Masonry. So considered, our ritual becomes a thing of supreme importance, and one to be surrounded by every safeguard. We know its effect upon the minds of men when properly used, to this the ages testify. Who can say what its effect will be if changes are permitted to be made—changes either the result of ignorance, or largely those more difficult of control, those flowing from an exaggerated idea of our own wisdom. I say to the Grand Lodge of Tennessee with all the force at my command, and with all the emphasis of which I am capable that no work before it is equal, in importance to that of devising a system by which our lodges may be regularly and accurately taught.

The grand master's views are sound in every respect, particularly is it true that the ritual is always in jeopardy from those "with an exaggerated idea of their own wisdom."

Those Thanatopsis and Hamlet's Soliloquy brethren can do some mischief, but it is only local and transient, whereas the incongruities, puerilities and solecisms engrafted upon the ritual by those having an exaggerated notion of their wisdom are not so easily gotten rid of. The grand master recommended—

First: Schools of instruction by districts and in particular lodges. Second: The definite encouragement of an accurate learning of the work by the individual Masons, etc. * * *

This part of the address was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and on its report and recommendation the grand lodge ordered that the state be divided into not more than twenty districts; that a district grand lecturer be appointed, upon recommendation of the custodians of the work for each district, and that a school of instruction be held annually in each district, under the supervision of the board of custodians.

Concerning ciphers, the grand master reported that two lodges had been charged with using so-called ciphers. In one of the two cases the charge was not sustained, and in the other the books were destroyed, and the parties purchasing were duly cautioned. Continuing the grand master said—

The condemnation which this grand lodge has placed upon the use of cyphers could scarcely be more severe and it is incredible of belief that either our lodges or their members would risk violations.

Under the topic, "Inspection of Lodges," the grand master recommended the adoption of a—

Plan by which systematic and intelligent oversight may be given the workings of our lodges, together with their physical condition and general masonic health. * * *

As tending to show the necessity for such inspection the grand master reported having found forty lodges whose paraphernalia was insufficient for conferring the degrees; twenty-six which did not own a monitor, and twenty-five which did not own a code. Forty per cent of all the lodges have floors wholly uncarpeted. Three lodges had station furniture and altars consisting of rough packing poxes, and one was found without furniture, altar or even a Bible.

Thirty-one decisions were reported by the grand master, most of them being merely a construction of Tennessee laws, and regulations, and three fourths of them of such character as to excite astonishment that it should be necessary that they should be made. Nearly all of them passed muster with the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge, but a few of them were modified. So much of the grand master's time was, apparently, occupied in the arrangement of these decisions, that he recommended that the grand lodge create a legal adviser to the grand master to be styled judge

advocate. In this the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge refused to concur.

Under the topic, "Correspondence with Foreign Jurisdictions," the grand master reported, *inter alia,* a complaint from the grand master of Illinois, reciting that a Chattanooga lodge had received and acted upon a petition for membership, made by a member in good standing of an Illinois lodge, his petition being accompanied by a certificate of good standing which the Chattanooga brethren took to have the force of a dimit. The matter was adjusted by striking the name of the brother from the roll of the Chattanooga lodge and repaying the fees and dues advanced.

The grand master reported the constituting of five new lodges, two in person, and three by proxy, and the issuing of three dispensations to form new lodges.

Concerning the Order of the Eastern Star, the grand master said—

The grand lodge does not recognize or take official notice of the order, but * * * to pass over without notice the splendid assistance which our lodges receive from this faithful body of women, would be less than generous. Go among our lodges, and you will find practically without exception, where the star of this order has its place upon the wall there also, in our own ranks is a spirit of progress and devotion. You will find a lodge room plain and inexpensive, perhaps, but neat, well kept and therefore creditable. To this latter I have found no exception. I frankly admit that at the beginning of my own work of the year, I looked upon the Eastern Star with a feeling, at best, of good humored tolerance. I conclude it with opinions of respect, gratitude and warm admiration.

Under the topic "Fraternal Recognition," the grand master suggested that the grand lodge had not published an approved list of grand lodges with which it is in fraternal correspondence and recommended that a list be prepared to include those theretofore recognized, and those which should be recognized as regular. This was referred to the Committee on Correspondence and a list was reported, which is identical with the list recognized by Illinois, with the exception of Holland and Porto Rico, which are omitted from the Tennessee list.

The grand master reported the arrest of four charters for cause appearing, the granting of thirty-one special dispensations, to enable lodges to elect or install officers at times other than as prescribed in the by-laws, fifteen to permit lodges to remove place of meeting to another hall in same town or city, and three to permit lodges to remove place of meeting to another town or city.

In concluding his address the grand master well said—

It is easy to find fault, ,and this is known of all men, but it is also true that the first step should be taken only when the way is seen. To shut our eyes against our weaknesses, is to buy ease of mind at a great price. For the work to be done there is no lack of willing hands and active minds.

In our lodges are thousands of young men who call for light. They are our hope in the coming years, for upon them will fall the work which today is ours. As they are taught and made strong for the burden, so will Freemasonry prosper and grow in this jurisdiction. If we take no thought for tomorrow, if we dwell only on the glories of the past, then as men having in trust that which is beyond terms of worth, we fail in our plain duty to those who come after us. * * *

The grand secretary reported the collection during the year of the aggregate sum of $50,009.72 of which $22,200.00 was on account of the General Fund, $24,164.50 on account of the Widows and Orphans' Fund, and the balance for other purposes. An apparent gain in membership of 958 is shown from the table of returns.

The grand secretary reported having visited 289 lodges during the year, which make some of us wonder how he could have done anything else.

The total amount of disbursements during the year, on account of the orphans' home and school was $27,117.45.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Dispensations and By-laws four new lodges were granted charters and three were granted dispensations.

The grand master's eulogistic and kindly expressions with reference to the Order of the Eastern Star, were apparently promptly responded to, as the morning immediately following, the grand chapter, being then in session sent him a beautiful bouquet, which was presented to him in grand lodge by Past Grand Master Hisey, emissary of the Star. It may be that the grand master knew the bouquet was coming, and that this knowledge was the moving cause of the speech; or, it may be the sisters knew the speech was coming, and had the bouquet ready; who can tell?

After two "Whereases," the first of which recites that—

The Masonic Home of Tennessee only owns 106 acres of land.

The second that—

About 107 acres lie south of the home properties, and adjoining, and can be bought, etc.

It was resolved that the in-coming board of control be authorized to negotiate for the purchase of this 107 acre tract for use of the home. The following resolution was adopted—

That the annual per capita tax be increased to $1.50 of which seventy-five cents shall be for the Widows and Orphans' Home, twenty-five cents for the Old Masons' Home, and fifty cents for the use of the grand lodge.

Brother John T. Peeler was elected grand master, and Brother Stith M. Cain was re-elected grand secretary.

Following the installation ceremonies the grand master was presented with the signet ring, by the retiring grand master.

There is a report on foreign correspondence, consisting of 120 pages, by Brother Henry A. Chambers, past grand master. Illinois, for 1916, is courteously treated. Our brother quotes almost a page from Brother Wheeler's annual report, particularly what is therein reported concerning the successful working of his "Advisory Council," and "Political discussions" in lodges.

In the introductory part of the brother's report, his views on several subjects are given. On that of physical qualifications, he says—

A constant pressure is made to modify, if not entirely abolish physical requirements. Those favoring this course forget or ignore the fact that ours is the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons. Even where the ancient physical qualifications are rigidly required the fraternity has not lacked in numbers. This ancient requirement is the one thing that distinguishes our order from all other organizations. Old Masons are proud of that fact. Why modernize ancient Masonry, etc. * * *

The next Annual will be held at Nashville, January 30, 1918.

Brother Jno. T. Peeler, Grand Master, Huntingdon; Brother Stith M. Cain, Grand Secretary, Nashville.

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## TEXAS—1916

894 Lodges | 81st Annual | 68,324 Members

A full page half tone picture of Brother Z. E. Coombes, past grand master appears as the frontispiece of the proceedings of this grand lodge, and at the opening of the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, is a full page picture of Brother Geo. W. Tyler, past grand master, and committee on correspondence.

The annual meeting was held at Waco, commencing December 5, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened in ample form, and presided over by Brother Dan. S. McMillin, grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. The assemblage was illuminated by the countenances of fifteen past grand masters, and the representatives of thirty-eight foreign grand bodies were in the diplomatic circle, Illinois not of this number.

The presence of other distinguished brethren is noted, as follows: Nelson Williams, past grand master of Ohio; Henry Banks, past grand master of Georgia; Harry K. Simpson, past grand master of the District of Columbia; George E. Corson, past junior grand warden of the District of Columbia; and George W. Treadwell, senior grand warden of Louisiana.

These distinguished visitors were in turn introduced to the grand lodge, and each acknowledged the introduction by felicitous remarks.

The grand master's address fills sixty pages of the printed proceedings and gives an account of his official acts and doings during his term, and gives his views on several matters. In the exordium he says—

The history of Masonry in Texas, is the history of Texas, because those who were foremost in making Texas a free country, what it was, what it is and what it is to be, also planned Masonry in Texas. Many of her most noted soldiers, statesmen and jurists have occupied the prominent positions in the subordinate lodges and the Grand Lodge of Texas and directed its destinies with the same intelligence and patriotism displayed in the formation and guidance of the new republic and state, and leading to the great success it has now attained, and the even greater success, which no Mason doubts it will attain in the future. For we see before us the flower of the young manhood of Texas, strong in their knowledge and zeal for the principles of Masonry which they have learned to love and practice in the years of their young manhood, and it is a joy to know that those who are following after us are so much better qualified than we have been to carry on the great work that means so much to humanity. The character of a people is the measure of a nation's greatness. Money, power, commercial leadership, even learning itself, may not hinder its decline and decay unless those forces are controlled and guided by individuals of strong, upright, patriotic character. Such men are the real wealth of a community, fraternity, state, or a nation. They are the leaders of a progress that endures. * * *

Under the topic "Illustrious dead," the grand master announced the decease during the year of Brother James Harvey McLeary, grand master in 1880, and Brother W. G. Newby, the first, and up to the date of his death, the only treasurer of the masonic home board. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions, Past Grand Master William Hayes Scott, of Illinois is mentioned.

In commendation of the services of the district deputy grand masters, he says—

I desire to here state that no grand master has ever had a more intelligent, and devoted corps of assistants than I have had during the past year. * * * The good accomplished, if any, during the year, should be credited to the district deputy grand masters; the mistakes, which are many, should be charged to me.

The grand master reported the constituting of twelve new lodges, all by proxy.

In case of a petitioner for the degrees, having any maim or physical defect, in Texas, the matter is referred, as appears, to the grand master who decides upon the eligibility of such candidate. Eighty-eight such cases were apparently referred to him during his term, and he reported that in fifty cases he decided that the candidates were eligible, and in thirty-eight he decided they were ineligible. His report on these cases is most interest-

ing, if not amusing. Among the cases in which permission was given to receive and act upon petitions are found the following—

No. 7. One leg half inch shorter than other. Very slight limp. Otherwise normal. No. 9. Loss of first joint of middle toe on left foot. No. 13. Nose has not usual amount of cartilage. Not deformed. No. 19. One leg quarter inch short, caused by broken hip four years ago. No.32. One leg three-eights of an inch shorter than the other. No. 33. One leg half an inch shorter than the other. No. 37. Cross-eyed, but sees well. No. 40. Sight of one eye not so good as other, but can see gesture fifty feet in ordinary light; other eye good.

Among those which were denied permission to receive and act upon petitions the following applications appear—

No. 3. Loss of sight of right eye; not noticeable. No. 4. Hare-lipped (presumed to be noticeable.) No. 10. Sight of left eye badly impaired, caused by powder burn. No. 12. Sight of one eye badly impaired. No. 18. Partial loss of sight of one eye. No. 24. One glass eye. No. 28. Loss of sight of one eye; the appearance of eye almost normal. No. 35. Loss of first joint of little finger of right hand.

Every reader is welcome to his own notion as to the correctness of these several holdings, but it is safe to presume that none would covet the job of the grand master making these discriminations, as to physical fitness. The grand master reported a list of sixty-nine cases in which degrees were conferred by lodges of his obedience, out of courtesy for lodges of foreign jurisdictions, and forty-four cases in which degrees were conferred by lodges of other grand jurisdictions, out of courtesy to Texas lodges, the arrangements therefore being in every case made by himself, and the several grand masters concerned.

It appears that in Texas a lodge cannot change its place of meeting to another hall in the same town without permission, and the grand master reported twenty-one cases in which such permission was granted.

He reported one case, also, in which he gave permission to a lodge to remove to another town. This was disapproved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, it being held that the grand master was not clothed with authority, under their constitution to authorize a lodge to meet in a different town to that named in its charter.

Four applications for dispensations to form new lodges were reported, two of which were allowed, and two refused. The grand master reported the granting of twenty-eight dispensations to lay corner stones, a matter not clearly understood, but taking his language at its face value it would appear the ceremonies were performed by the lodges,—which if true is a peculiar practice.

Nine cases are reported in which dispensations were granted permitting lodges to sell, or mortgage their property, and if their law requires this as is presumed, it is an unwarranted limitation upon the rights of lodges.

Four dispensations to dedicate masonic halls are reported.

The grand master reports an application from an ex-clergyman, whose throat had given out, to permit him to solicit among Texas Masons, business for a certain so-called "masonic" life insurance company. To this his reply as reported, was as follows—

Our edicts forbid the use of the word "Mason" or "Masonic" in any private business. Therefore it would be a violation of our law for any brother to act as agent for any society or organization which uses either of these words for business purposes, and any one violating this law renders himself subject to the penalties prescribed in our law.

In approving this part of the report, the committee on grand officers' reports said—

We applaud the determined stand of the grand master to prevent, under any guise the use of the word Mason or Masonic, for business purposes of any kind or character. The intent to do so is most reprehensible, and it is beyond our comprehension that any Mason, even of ordinary intelligence should attempt to defile the order, insult its potent dignity, and degrade his own calling as a craftsman in order to promote some project from which he hopes to reap a financial, social or political advantage for himself.

The expressions of our Texas brethren concerning this matter are good and strong, but perhaps none too strong. Their view is correct, and Illinois should take the same ground, whether the offending brother represents a foreign or domestic concern. The coupling of business to Masonry, if not graft, squints strongly in the direction of graft.

The grand master reported sixteen decisions, all of which were approved in a block, and in a single sentence. Most of them involve simply a construction of different sections of their code, but in one of them the grand master appears to have broken over the frontier of Texas law, or any other known masonic law. In his decision numbered XVI, it appears that a brother was regularly elected to the office of junior warden, in a lodge in Dallas County, but before being installed was obliged to depart with a military force to the Mexican border, and was stationed at Marfa, in Presido County. The matter being referred to the grand master he says—

After due and careful consideration of the foregoing request, I did on the 30th day of June, 1916, issue dispensation authorizing Marfa Lodge No. 596 A. F. & A. M. at Marfa, Texas, to install Brother F. A. Wynne as junior warden of Trinity Valley Lodge No. 1048 A. F. & A. M. such installation to be held in Marfa Lodge No. 596, A. F. & A. M. as a courtesy to said Trinity Valley Lodge No. 1048.

Continuing he said—

In doing so I was fully aware that there existed no law governing such cases, etc. * * * but to my mind the idea of penalizing a brother by depriving him of the honors his brethren wished to bestow upon him, because of his temporary absence in the discharge of his duty to his country, * * * seems to me to be contrary to the principles of justice and repugnant to the teachings of Masonry.

Concerning the "Masonic Orphans' Home and School," the grand master said—

If our home is not the most symmetrical and magnificent of structures ever erected by human hands, it is to every true and devoted Mason the most beautiful masonic emblem ever contrived. In its structure there are no cedars from Lebanon, nor marbles from the quarries of the East, but its foundation is trust in God, and its pillars are faith, hope and charity. The gold of Ophir does not adorn its portal, nor precious stones from afar gem its corridors, but the smiles of cheered widowhood and orphan children illuminate its halls, and its gems are the teardrops of gratitude sparkling in the eyes of orphan children. My brethren, that home is our Mt. Moriah, that is our temple, sacred to brotherly love, relief and truth.

It elsewhere appears that at date of report the residents at the home consisted of 44 widows, 126 boys and 87 girls. The expenditures during the past year on account of the home amounted to $111,719.96 of which the sum of $58,260.34 was for ordinary running expenses.

In the home superintendent's report it is said—

Our per capita cost during the past year, figured strictly on the children residing in the home is $20.52 per month; figured on the basis of children, officers, teachers, and other employees the per capita is reduced to $17.50 per month.

He further, truly says—

The cost of maintenance depends upon how much is done for the residents. Our children are neatly and comfortably, (not extravagantly) clothed, furnished plently of good wholesome food, and given the very best educational advantages, including courses in the special departments of music, expression, book-keeping and stenography, sewing and manual training. * * *

The superintendent's report further announced that the state had appropriated $1,000.00 for the manual training department, and $750.00 for the agricultural department in the home, upon the sole condition that like sums should be furnished for these departments, respectively, by the grand lodge.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $87,105.44, of which the sum of $48,643.70 was dues from lodges, $33,502.00 was widows' and orphans' funds from lodges and the balance was derived from divers sources. The same report shows a gain in membership of 2515.

On the evening of the first day of the session an oration was delivered before the grand lodge by Brother Andrew L. Randell, grand orator, which by order of the grand lodge is printed in the proceedings.

His theme was "Masonic Study and Research," and the brother took occasion to give expression to some homely and common-place wisdom, but in a very felicitous manner. No adequate notion of the value of this address can be given by quoting, but the following will give some hint of the trend of the brother's thoughts —

If Masonry was essential to the earlier generation of pioneers of the state and nation, it is equally so to this generation. If the world has needed it heretofore, its need for Masonry is even greater now. If it pointed the paths of progress to the pioneers of another day, it will point them just as certainly to us. For every generation is one of pioneers. One may have to overcome the forces of death and destruction that lurk in the wilderness; another the subtler and more insidious forces of corruption and decay that linger in citadels and capitals. But all must do battle with one or another, and each must fight its way to a higher plane of living and citizenship; and Masonry has been, is, and always can be the great pioneer of civilization. * * * How shall we look to the unlearned and untutored masonic membership to help, aid and assist in the application of masonic remedies to the national and international diseases which threaten the present stage of the life of the world? How shall we call upon the wisdom of its precepts if we know them not? How shall we unfurl the flag if we see not its wonderful combination of colors? How shall we use its weapons if we are not taught their mechanism and construction? Without study, training, discipline, instruction, we are as helpless to lead the forces of civic righteousness as a new-sworn private to lead the victorious armies of a great war. * * *

On report, and recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

The committee appointed at last annual meeting to revise the constitution and by-laws of the grand lodge were given another year in which to make report.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Petitions six new lodges were granted charters.

Brother Frank C. Jones was elected grand master, and Brother W. B. Pearson was re-elected grand secretary.

The little snarl between a lodge of New Mexico and a Texas lodge, the moving cause of which was the failure of the latter to re-imburse the former for moneys advanced for the relief of a widow of a former member of the Texas lodge, as mentioned in the review of New Mexico, was referred to a committee, and the committee, and the grand lodge, took the view that the New Mexico lodge should have its "*Quid pro quo.*" The report, which was adopted by the grand lodge is as follows—

Your committee No. 2 on Grievances and Appeals are of the opinion that this matter should have been adjusted by said Rogers Prairie Lodge long prior to this date, and we therefore recommend that the matter be referred to the in-coming grand master with instructions that if said Rogers Prairie Lodge does not fully adjust this matter, to his entire satisfaction within a reasonable time, that he arrest its charter.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Masonic Research the grand lodge resolved to have compiled and published a history of the grand lodge, and past grand master, (and the new chairman of the Com-

mittee on Correspondence), Brother J. L. Terrell, was designated as the compiler, and writer of such history.

In the grand master's address the "Card system" was recommended, and the matter of its adoption was referred to the grand secretary, with orders to examine into its feasibility, and report his findings at the next annual meeting.

Just before the installation ceremonies the grand master requested that all in the audience who had been Master Masons in good standing for forty years rise to their feet, and to come to the grand East. Twenty brethren obeyed the challenge, ranging from forty to sixty-five years service as Master Masons, and a brief but most feeling address was delivered to them by the deputy grand master,—the address being printed in full in the proceedings.

Following the installation of grand officers, the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand masters' jewel, and the in-coming grand master with the "Signet Ring," the presentation speeches, and the acceptation speeches being all printed, and as a matter of course, all happily worded.

The proceedings of this grand lodge as printed weighs a few ounces short of four pounds, the proceedings proper, with exhibits fill 310 pages, the roster of lodges, 538 pages, and the report of the Committee on Correspondence, with index, fills 214 pages, but for this writer, the report on correspondence is by far the best part of the huge volume.

It consists of 200 pages, is written by Past Grand Master Geo. W. Tyler, and, as he says, is his last, as he voluntarily retired from the position of chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. As a masonic writer our brother ranks high, both for erudition and graceful expression, and his farewell address is felicitously arranged, so much so, that it gives rise to the suggestion that, if some of us who are shortly to cease the performance of similar duties "by request" could retire to obscurity as serenely and gracefully, we should account ourselves happy.

The Proceedings of Illinois for 1915 are reviewed by him in a most courteous and considerate manner. Of Brother Burnap's annual report, he says—

> The grand master's address was brief, giving only general information, and the administrative details are embodied in accompanying papers which are printed in the appendix. We like this practice very much.

He notes what Brother Burnap said about "Moon lodges," and quotes from the conclusion to his report.

He notices the report of the Committee on Ceremonial Music, and its adoption by the grand lodge; the adoption by the grand lodge of the re-

port of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances prescribing a code for masonic trials; he takes note of, and quotes from, the report of the Committee on Obituaries; and notices the adoption of a funeral ceremony to be used in cases of cremation.

Of the "Advisory Board," he says—

The new grand master requested and was given authority to form a special committee to act as an advisory board to the grand master, consisting of the deputy grand master, the two grand wardens, grand secretary and the chairmen of the six most important committees, and $1,000.00 was allowed for the expenses of the members of such board in attending its meetings. This is a new experiment in administering the affairs of the grand lodge in vacation, and its operation will be carefully observed by other grand jurisdictions.

Concerning the review, he says—

Brother Owen Scott presents the report of Committee on Correspondence, as he has done for some years, and with his characteristic ability. * * *

Whereupon, he proceeds to notice what Brother Scott says concerning land-marks. Concluding, he says—

Brother Scott seems to have bidden adieu to the correspondence corps, as another was announced in his stead. We like Brother Scott, and he will be missed in the annual round through the grand lodges.

The next annual meeting will be held at Waco, December 4, 1917.

Brother Frank C. Jones, Grand Master, Houston; Brother W. B. Pearson, Grand Secretary, Waco.

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## UTAH—1917

20 Lodges | 46th Annual | 2,605 Members

On the frontispiece of the volume of proceedings of this grand lodge appears a fine photogravure of Brother Charles Fred Jennings, grand master, and the volume is further embellished by full page likenesses of Brethren F. A. McCarty, grand secretary, and S. H. Goodwin, committee on correspondence.

The annual communication was held at Salt Lake City, commencing on January 16, 1917, and the grand lodge was presided over by the grand master, Brother Charles C. Griggs, assisted by a full roster of grand lodge officers.

Thirteen past grand masters added tone and dignity to the assemblage and the representatives of thirty-five foreign bodies were in the diplomatic

circle. Brother A. Scott Chapman, the representative of Illinois, of this number.

Immediately following the opening, and the appointment of committees, the annual oration was delivered by Brother John E. Carver, grand orator, which is printed in full in the proceedings. The oration is in the nature of an historical argument tending to demonstrate that the degree of Entered Apprentice is the most important and interesting of the three degrees in Masonry. His conclusion is without doubt correct, whatever one may think of the truth of the matters cited in its support.

Following the oration the representatives of foreign grand bodies were invited to the East, presented to the grand lodge and received with the grand honors, and welcomed by the grand master in appropriate terms. The representatives of the Grand Lodges of Victoria, New South Wales, New York and Arizona, and the so-called Grand Lodge of York, of Mexico, (whatever that may be,) responded, in turn to this welcome address. Next in order appears the grand master's annual address, which fills 17 pages of the proceedings, containing an account of his official doings, and his recommendations. Under the head of "Our Departed Brethren" he reported the death during the year of Brother Hugo Deprezin, grand sword bearer, and that otherwise the ranks of the grand lodge remained unbroken.

The grand master reported the constituting of two new lodges, and the granting of one special dispensation to elect and install officers. He reported the granting of six "Waivers of time" in the matter of conferring degrees, and says—

In each case I was assured that the brethren would be properly instructed, and pass a satisfactory examination in the degree before being advanced.

Under the head of "Lodge Visitation" the grand master reported that he had during the year visited every lodge in Utah save one, and that it had been visited by the deputy grand master.

Under the topic, "Our National Emblem," the grand master reported, in part—

Many of our lodges have always shown the flag in the East. The few that have not observed this custom have since notified me that they took immediate steps to do so, and I can now inform this grand lodge that the national emblem is now displayed in the East in every lodge room of our jurisdiction. I do not wish to recommend the adoption of a resolution making this custom mandatory, for I feel, with the hearty and unanimous approval accorded my suggestion, this is not necessary.

Under the head of "Clandestine lodges," the grand master reported that—

Salt Lake City is the headquarters of a clandestine body, etc. * * * I shall make no recommendation concerning proceedure, in so weighty a matter as there are wiser and more capable men in our august body to recommend the proper method, but in the interest of Free and Accepted Masonry in our grand jurisdiction, and all others, I lay this matter before you, hoping you will take prompt and energetic action, etc. * * *

This part of the address being referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, the report and recommendation of said committee is exactly in accord with what is believed to be the most expedient course to pursue in all such cases. The report is as follows, in part—

We think the wiser course would be to pursue our own high purposes, and leave them without any recognition of any kind from us.

However, this recommendation was modified by the grand lodge by providing—

That a committee of three be appointed by the grand master to investigate and report at the next annual communication. * * *

Four decisions are reported two of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge, the first relating to physical qualifications, and the second correctly holding that the tyler has a right to vote. In number three, the grand master held that—

Any brother who has regularly served as master of a lodge under dispensation is a past master.

The committee held, in effect, that in order to become a past master, in Utah a brother must have been regularly elected and installed master of a chartered lodge. In number four the grand master decided that—

When requested by another grand jurisdiction to confer degrees upon a candidate who has been given the E. A. or F. C. degree, and it is found that he has not received all the work as prescribed by the grand jurisdiction of Utah, it shall be the duty of the lodge to confer the remainder of the work of the preceding degree, and instruct him in the lecture before advancing him.

The committee recommended non-concurrence, correctly holding that inasmuch as such work was performed as a courtesy for lodges of sister grand jurisdiction—

The proper course would be to strictly pursue the request and instructions thereunder, and leave the matter there.

The recommendation was approved.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence, the grand lodge declined to join with the Grand Lodge of Cuba in a call for a conference for the promotion of peace.

The grand master reported the receipt of a letter—

Stating that a movement is under way, headed by Past Grand Master Chas. N. Mikels of Indiana, to form a supreme grand lodge, etc. * * *

And to which he replied that, judging from informal discussion of the matter by members of the Grand Lodge of Utah, he believed a vote taken on such a measure would receive no support.

The grand secretary's report shows the collection during the year of the sum of $5,027.74 of which the sum of $4,173.50 was dues from lodges. The same report shows a gain in membership, during the year of 132.

The report of the grand librarian shows the receipt during the year of the—

Life of Brother Joseph Robbins, past grand master of Illinois, who for thirty years was grand correspondent.

Continuing the report states—

Brother Robbins was a very able man and Mason, and the sketch of his life is interesting.

In the report of the grand lecturer, it appears, inter alia, that—

The ritualistic work of the past year has been very close to the standard work in all the lodges with the exception of two. * * * We may congratulate ourselves upon the uniformity of the work throughout the jurisdiction, etc. * * *

Brother Charles Fred Jennings was elected grand master, and Brother Freeman A. McCarty was re-elected grand secretary.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence the grand lodge declined to recognize the Grand Lodge of Panama. The report states that—

A vital defect, which must necessarily determine the attitude of the Grand Lodge of Utah toward this newly formed body, lies in the fact that the lodges named as forming the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Panama do not directly or indirectly derive, (their origin,) from the Mother Grand Lodge of England. * * *

There is the further consideration that lodges have been chartered and constituted in the Canal Zone by grand lodge with which we are in fraternal relations, namely the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

There is an excellent report on foreign correspondence from the pen of Brother S. H. Goodwin, being the third by him written. His treatment of the Proceedings of Illinois, (1916) is cordial and fraternal. He notes what is said in the grand master's annual report concerning his advisory council; the action taken concerning the monitor, with reasons given; the discussion of political matters, and questions of public policy in lodge; and takes note of the report of the Committee on Masonic Homes.

Of the review he says this writer—

Presents a readable report of some 250 pages,

But regrets the retirement of Brother Owen Scott, who he calls—

A worthy successor of past grand master Robbins, who was a figure of more than national prominence.

With all of which we are in accord.

The brother notes an error, made by this writer, in the former review of Utah, (page 221, Appendix) and says—

Section 156 * * * in the code reads: Every lodge in this jurisdiction shall in all cases of conferring degrees, deliver at the time the lecture appertaining to the degree conferred.

Which, as the brother says, is very different from the text given in last year's report. It may be added that it is a great deal better law, and therefore we cheerfully accept the correction. The report for 1916 was carefully studied, but by some means or other, the one little sentence following the report of the committee, "A motion to adopt the resolution after discussion was lost," escaped attention.

The matter of the "Signet ring," mentioned in the report for 1916, is by our good brother explained. He says—

Back in 1895 a P. G. M. presented a signet ring to grand lodge to be worn by the grand master for the time being, and by him to be passed to his successor.

The next Annual will be held at Salt Lake City, January 15, 1918.

Brother Charles Fred Jennings, Grand Master, Salt Lake City; Brother Freeman A. McCarty, Grand Secretary, Salt Lake City.

## VERMONT—1917

103 Lodges 124th Annual 14,533 Members

A fine picture of the retiring grand master, Brother Henry H. Ross, appears upon the fly-leaf by way of embellishment of the printed proceedings of this grand lodge, and is followed by a three page biographical sketch of the distinguished brother. The annual communication was held at Burlington, commencing June 13, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by the grand master, all the other grand lodge officers being in their places. The representatives of thirty-six foreign grand jurisdictions were in the diplomatic circle, Illinois unrepresented. Nine past grand masters graced the assemblage by their presence.

The address of the grand master fills twenty-four pages, and is characterized by modesty and brevity. In the exordium it is said, in part—

We are met here on a notable anniversary. Eleven days from this date will mark the two hundredth anniversary of the organization of the first Grand Lodge of Masons. On June 24, 1717, at the Goose and Gridiron

Tavern in London, the representatives of four old lodges met and organized a grand lodge, Anthony Sayre being elected grand master. You will note that this is not the beginning of Freemasonry. These four lodges, and others besides had long been inexistence and it was to give more definite form and added efficiency to the institution that this bond of union was formed. Historians and scholars may search and seek to determine the exact beginning of Masonry, but it is shrouded in the darkness of antiquity. Sufficient for us today that from this grand lodge has descended all that we now recognize as legitimate Masonry. * * *

With appropriate expressions of sorrow and deprivation, announcement was made of the passing, during the year of two honored past grand masters, Brethren Charles A. Calderwood, and Kittredge Haskins, the latter being the writer of the report on foreign correspondence for 1916.

Under the head of ''Condition of the Craft,'' it is said—

On the whole Masonry in Vermont is healthy, flourishing and inspiring. * * * It almost goes without saying that nearly all lodges are now practically perfect in the ritual. * * * More have attained the degree of Master Mason than in any previous year with but a single exception, the number being 635, and the high record being 649. * * * But the number of initiates is 695, forty-three more than in any previous year of our history. * * *

Nineteen special dispensations were reported, of which thirteen were for the purpose of permitting lodges to ballot upon petitions in a shorter time than prescribed by the by-laws, (in cases of enlisted soldiers,) two to attend divine services, one to join in a public procession as a lodge, and the balance for purposes of about the same consequence.

Two decisions were reported, in both of which constructions of their code were involved, and in both cases the decision was correct, perhaps. In the first it was held that—

A petition for affiliation from a non-affiliated resident in this jurisdiction, accompanied by a demit from a lodge recognized as regular by this grand lodge may be received and acted upon without regard to the residence of the petitioner, or how long he has lived there.

In the second it was held that in the matter of advancement, that—

A simple objection without a reason therefor, is without effect, and should be disregarded.

Concerning ''Chain Letters'' the grand master said—

The trenches of Heaven are to be carried by bombarding them with streams of mechanical prayer. If quantity is desired, far better and probably equally effective would it be to set in motion the Eastern praying wheels driven at top speed by an electric motor. * * * I await with equanimity the disaster due to me for breaking at least five distinct chains with which kind friends sought to bind me. Interrupt the chain at every opportunity and be not the victim of such a hoax, etc. * * *

Under the head of ''Grand Lodge Charity Fund,'' the grand master took occasion to offer some comments, as to whether or not it is best for the

grand lodge to adopt the "Home" method of administering aid to the dependent, or to continue, as heretofore, to attend to each individual case, at the places of residence of those requiring relief, and he inclines to the view that the latter method is preferable for Vermont. In explanation of this view he says, perhaps rightly—

It should be borne in mind that conditions are far different in Vermont, than in jurisdictions largely industrial and commercial, with many large cities. * * * The number of inmates of a masonic home here would be small, and the cost correspondingly great. * * * It is improbable that the number would ever be large unless the conditions of living are materially changed in Vermont.

They have a standing regulation whereby one thousand dollars is annually added to their permanent Charity Fund, which when the fund with earnings amounts to fifty thousand dollars is to be permanently invested, and the interest used for the relief of the helpless, or applied to the construction of a home, as may then appear expedient.

The grand master made a great plea for a slight raise of 25 cents in the annual *per capita tax,* the increase to be applied to charitable purposes, in support of which he most justly and happily said—

*If we think large thoughts large deeds will follow. Thinking in picayunish terms means* small accomplishment. * * *

This part of the grand master's address was referred to the Committee on Finance, and on its report and recommendation the raise of 25 cents was agreed to by the grand lodge.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of $5,925.05, of which $2,085.00 was dues, $2,909.60 was per capita tax and the balance was derived from the sale of supplies. The same report shows a net gain in membership of 292.

Concerning the war it is stated in the grand master's address that—

For nearly three years we have seen a horrible and insane war prosecuted, involving almost all the civilized world. We have seen it from the side lines. We have tried to maintain a neutral position. We have endured everything that a free people can bear and still claim to be worthy of our own self respect or the respect of others. At length we recognize that it is our war, and not that of Europe alone. It is a war for humanity and for human progress. Heretofore we have had some one to fight for us; now we must fight for ourselves. * * *

This language, as well as the balance of the grand master's deliverance concerning the war, was enthusiastically approved by the Committee on Grand Master's Address, and the grand lodge.

Brother David A. Elliott was elected grand master, and Brother Henry H. Ross retiring grand master was elected grand secretary.

The Committee on Jewels, on behalf of the grand lodge presented Brother Ross with a fine past grand master's jewel, in a neat and appropriate speech by the chairman of the committee.

There is a report on foreign correspondence by Brother Charles H. Darling, past grand master, and consistently with his strenuous, not to say pedantic and oracular, deliverances in his address of a year ago, when grand master, in favor of the Homoeopathic system, in the matter of reports, it had to be short. It fills twenty-three pages of the proceedings, and is presumably a good one, for all those who like that sort of report, as the late Col. William R. Morrison would say. In the opening of his report he says—

> In my last annual address as grand master I made some suggestions and expressed some opinions out of the usual order with respect to reports on foreign correspondence, and on being appointed to that committee I expected that some of the older correspondents in different jurisdictions would "pour a flagon of Rhenish on my head," and in some cases I have not been disappointed.

The matter to which our brother refers had the appearance of having been taken, in substance at least, from the report of a committee of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, in search of argument against the utility and expediency of a Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and this committee confessedly obtained the facts and *data* on which the report was predicated chiefly from reports and documents thirty or forty years old. This going back forty years, to find a twenty-four inch gauge with which to take the dimensions of contemporaneous reviewers, has more the appearance of the grotesque than a *causus belli.*

The sort of review, and the sort of reviewer from which this unit of measurement is obtained has been extinct for a generation of men, and hence any survey made using it as the criterion is likely to be inaccurate and valueless. Referring again to Brother Darling's statement; "In some cases I have not been disappointed," it is suggested that "The most unkindest out of all," and perhaps the *only* really sarcastic rejoinder by any reviewer noticed by this writer, is Brother Shirrefs of New Jersey, in his review of the Grand Lodge of Vermont. He says—

> His (Brother Darling's) protest against imaginary reviewers, who write jokes among themselves, throwing bouquets, mentioning family items, as births and deaths, filling the columns of the grand lodge proceedings all at the expense of the brethren, might have also included a remonstrance at the expense of pages devoted to *panegyrics of living grand masters,* but did not.

This does not appear to have been written with malice aforethought, as it might have been stated for instance, that the autobiography, or biography, whichever it may be, of our distinguished brother printed in the proceedings of Vermont, 1916, fills about the same number of pages as his report on foreign correspondence for 1917.

Our brother discusses the following topics, "Acacia Fraternity," "Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of the Grand Lodge of England"; "Burial Service"; "Charity"; "Decisions"; "Declaration of Independence"; "Election of Officers"; "The Flag"; "Foreign Correspondence"; "Great Britain and her Dependencies, and the War"; "Homes, Masonic"; "Temperance" and "Statistics." Appended to his article on homes is a table showing the location of each home, the time it was opened, the number of occupants and the cost of maintenance. This the brother says he obtained from Nebraska, and has some value. (The proceedings of Nebraska for 1917 have not yet reached this table.) Appended to his article on statistics is a table showing the number of members of lodges in the United States, which is also valuable.

Under the topic, "The Flag," he quotes in full (without comment) from Brother Wheeler's annual report, (1916) what is therein said under the same topic, even including the poetry which was used to ornament the deliverance.

Under the topic, "Declaration of Independence," he gives a list of the signers of the immortal document who were Freemasons, which is very interesting, if accurate. Giving names, only, his list is as follows: John Adams, Samual Adams, Josiah Bartlett, Benjamin Franklin, Elbdridge Gerry, John Hancock, Benjamin Harrison, Francis Hopkinson, William Hooper, Thomas Jefferson, Francis Lightfoot Lee, Richard Henry Lee, Philip Livingston, Robert Morris, Thomas Nelson, Robert Treat Paine, George Ross, Benjamin Rush, Roger Sherman, Matthew Thornton, William Whipple, John Witherspoon, and Oliver Wolcott. Included in the list given also is one "*Fans Lee,*" but no copy of the declaration which this writer has seen includes this name among the subscribers.

Brother David A. Elliott, Grand Master, White River Junction; Brother Henry H. Ross, Grand Secretary, Burlington.

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## VICTORIA—1916

221 Lodges 28th Year 15,812 Members

Quarterly communications were held at Melbourne, on March 15, 1916; June 21, 1916; September 20, 1916, and December 20, 1916, respectively, at each of which it appears from the record that—

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form with solemn prayer, the M. W. The Honorable Charles Carty-Salmon being on the throne.

At all of these meetings the diplomatic circle was largely in evidence, Brother F. T. Hickford, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, being present on the job at each meeting.

At the first meeting above mentioned announcement was made that the grand master, on recommendation of the board of general purposes had submitted for appointment as representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, near the Grand Lodge of Victoria, the name of Brother F. T. Hickford, vice J. Hickford, deceased. Later on his patent of office was exhibited and noted.

Announcement was made by the grand secretary that—

The grand master had been pleased to make the following promotions and appointments to *Past Rank,*

Whereupon a list of about thirty brethren were named, as having been thus honored, the rank designated in each case, and ranging all the way from past senior grand warden to past grand standard bearer. The grand secretary also announced the consecration of four new lodges and the granting of two hundred and sixty-six special dispensations, 95 to permit lodges to change time and place of stated meeting; 74 permitting lodges to appear in public in regalia, and the balance for divers other purposes. After hearing and approving reports of the board of general purposes ,the board of benevolences, and divers committees, a brief address was delivered by the grand master. The first topic touched upon was of course the war, on which he said, in part—

Our anticipations of a year ago that human pain and suffering and national loss would be intensified and extended, fell far short of actual happenings. The ingenuity of man has been strained to its uttermost to inflict the maximum of death, desolation and destruction over an area never previously affected, and though this tortured world has surely seen the worst, none can foretell the time when peace once more will reign. * * *

Our lodges have magnificently recognized their national duty, and our members are serving with distinction and patriotism on every field of imperial action. We know of at least 906 members of our craft from this territory on active service. * * *

Concerning degree work, the grand master said—

There has been a marked improvement in degree work, and the benefits of a uniform system become every day more apparent and gratifying. The initiations for the year were 1271, affiliations 433, making a total of 1704. * * *

The net increase was 592. Two new masonic temples were dedicated by the grand master.

At the meeting of June 21, 1916, the grand master announced the death of Field Marshal Kitchener, with a short eulogy on the departed brother, concluding as follows—

The last glympse we have of him is typical of his life. None could know better the certainty of his end, yet he is seen standing on the deck of the doomed vessel, talking with the officers, and betraying neither fear nor concern. Truly his masonic life had taught him how to die. Like a viking of old he went with a stately ship from the view of those who last beheld him, to be enfolded in the embrace of that sea which while it reaches the far flung elements of our empire, defends its center, and is still ruled by Britannia. * * *

At the meeting of September 20, 1916, on report and recommendation of the board of general purposes the grand lodge of Saskatchewan was granted fraternal recognition and an exchange of representatives. On recommendation of the same tribunal the following was adopted—

That in order to prevent the peace and harmony of the craft from being disturbed, it is necessary that all brethren of enemy birth should not during the continuance of the war attend any meeting of grand lodge, or of a subordinate lodge, or any other masonic meeting, and that such brethren be and they are hereby required to abstain from such attendance, and that no fees during the same period be payable by or in respect of such brethren who shall abstain, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the secretary of every lodge.

The discussion of this resolution when put upon its passage is printed in the proceedings, and at this distance it appears that the argument was all on the opposition side of the resolution.

It was made to appear that the resolution was against—

British justice, unmasonic, unconstitutional, and far too sweeping in its effects, etc.

But the affirmative side had the votes and the measure was adopted.

At the quarterly meeting of December 20, 1916, occurred the annual election which resulted in the re-election of Brother Charles Carty-Salmon as grand master, the result being attained in this manner—

M. W. Bro. C. E. Emery P. G. M. said: It affords me very great pleasure to nominate our Grand Master Most Worshipful Brother the Honorable Dr. Charles Carty-Salmon as grand master for the ensuing year, etc. * * *

The R. W. deputy grand master said, I have very great pleasure in seconding the nomination, etc. * * * M .W. Bro. Emery said: There being no other nominations, I declare Most Worshipful Brother, the Honorable Dr. Charles Carty-Salmon duly elected.

This was all there was of it, and it must be conceded that the system of these Victoria brethren is just as convenient, smooth and reliable as that in use in Maryland, but it may be doubted whether or not it is as durable.

At each meeting the grand treasurer made report showing collection and disbursements of funds for the quarter, and the aggregate collections from all sources on account of the general fund for the year amounted to the sum of £6943-14 S and 2 d; and on account of the benevolent fund the sum of £4031-6 S and 8 d.

The grand inspector of workings reported that—

There exists generally in lodges a healthy rivalry in the performance of degree work, etc. * * * I regret to say that my attention has been called to the fact that there are a few lodges in which the masters and officers read their portions of the ceremonies from the ritual when conferring degrees and I desire to point out that this practice is totally opposed to the ancient custom and the spirit of Freemasonry, etc. * * *

Commenting on that part of the report quoted the grand master said—

With regard to the reading of the ritual in open lodge I am horrified to find that this custom is adopted in these days. My own recollections of 30 years ago, when one had to travel miles to receive instruction by word of mouth, and it was impossible to obtain a ritual, is so different from the present, when officers who wish to qualify themselves for the chair may obtain copies of the ritual that I cannot realise that such practice has arisen, etc. * * *

The suggestion is made that, for those who regard the entered apprentice ob. as somewhat more than a joke, the right time to become horrified is before the publication of a printed, or cipher ritual is authorized.

Following his investure the grand master delivered a short address, confining his remarks to the matter of the war, and incident thereto. He said, in part—

We have been buoyed up with the hope that each quarterly communication, and each New Year would see the coming of peace. Surely our hopes will not be disappointed during the coming year. Surely in his own good time the Great Architect of the Universe will bring about that peace which is so much desired. * * *

So mote it be.

There is no report on foreign correspondence.

Brother Charles Carty-Salmon, Grand Master; Brother Charles James Barrow, Grand Secretary, Melbourne.

## VIRGINIA—1917

324 Lodges 139th Annual 26,244 Members

An imposing volume of more than six hundred pages, embellished by a full page photogravure of the grand master, Brother Henry K. Field, contains the printed account of the activities of this grand lodge for the year. The annual meeting was held at Richmond commencing February 13, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by Brother James Allston Cabell, grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers. Nine past grand masters dignified the assemblage by their presence,

and the ambassadors of thirty-four foreign grand bodies found their way to the diplomatic circle, Brother William L. Andrews, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

The attendance of the following named distinguished visitors is noted, namely Brethren Henry Banks, past grand master of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, C. L. Pridgen, grand master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and Cyril DeWryall, past master of Mosaic Lodge of New Jersey, each of which being severally introduced, addressed the grand lodge briefly.

The grand master recounted his official acts and doings, and gave expression to his views on several matters, in an address which fills some twenty pages.

Report is made of the constituting of three new lodges, and the issuing of dispensations for the formation of three lodges, and the laying of twenty-seven corner stones, part of them in person and part by proxy.

Under the head of official visits the grand master said—

By considerable sacrifice, I have managed to get in personal touch with seventy-seven lodges, and the results have been such as to cause me to regret that I did not make even greater sacrifice, so that I could have made more of these visits.

Under the topic, "Washington Memorial," the grand master reported his visit to Alexandria, Va., in February, 1917, at time of the meeting of the association, and said—

I cannot use too earnest language in urging all Virginia Masons to interest themselves in the great work of building this magnificent memorial, etc. * * *

A few special dispensations were reported, but the grand master was apparently very sparing in the exercise of this prerogative, and the instances cited in which they were declined show him to be level-headed and conservative. He says—

I have refused two requests of lodges to attend the services of a popular evangelist as a masonic body, and in regalia, as it was not a masonic occasion. I have not permitted corner stones to be laid on Sunday, as it is work, and should not be done on a legal sabbath. I have refused relief to candidates seeking initiation who were clearly not so perfect in body as to be able, without artificial aid or friendly assistance, to conform to the ritual. I am convinced this stringent law should be amended by the grand lodge, but if I had carried out my own views of what was best for Masonry in this instance it would have amounted to my legislating for the craft, upon one of the fundamental subjects of our institution.

Many of us will disagree with the distinguished brother as to the expediency of a change in the law construing the landmark as to physical fitness, but all will applaud his action in enforcing the law as written. The grand master recommended that their law be so amended as to relax the present rule as to physical qualifications, and said—

I am glad no request came to me to permit the advancement of a candidate who had met with misfortune after being admitted to our fold as an entered apprentice, etc. * * * In the case of a fellow craft, it is hardly saying too much to declare such refusal something close to a breach of our obligation. * * *

This recommendation was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which was given till next year to report. The objections to their present rule pointed out by the grand master may be easily removed by providing that the same shall apply to the *making* only, as has long been the law in Illinois.

Eighteen decisions were reported by the grand master, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, save one, which is as follows—

5. Balloting upon moral qualifications for advancement and for membership as well as for initiation, should be at a stated meeting. * * *

From this the committee dissented, to the extent of holding that balloting for advancement might be done at a special communication.

No. 2 announces a rule which would appear to be a manifest hardship and injustice to entered apprentices, although it is likely in accord with Virginia law. It is as follows—

Question: Can an entered apprentice be prevented from advancement by an objection secretly communicated to the master of his lodge?

This was in effect, decided in the affirmative, and as it was approved by the committee and the grand lodge is supposed to be a correct construction of their law, but if so, it is not consonant with the spirit and genius of Freemasonry. An entered apprentice is a brother Freemason, and should not be denied masonic privileges without trial, and an opportunity to confront his accuser.

Under the topic, "Necrology," the grand master reported the death of Brethren William H. Scott and Albert B. Ashley, past grand masters of Illinois.

The report of the grand treasurer shows the collection during the year of the sum of $46,301.85 of which the sum of $31,898.25 was dues from lodges, and the balance was derived from divers other sources. The table of returns shows an apparent net gain in membership of 713.

Following the grand master's address in the proceedings, are the reports of the fifty-six district deputy grand masters, which tend to show careful supervision, and a fair measure of progress.

From the report of the grand lecturer the following is extracted—

It is a great pleasure to me personally and officially to be able to again report to you that the craft of this grand jurisdiction contains more skilled ritualists today than ever before in its history. * * * During the year I

have instructed 169 lodges, and visited 118 others, where perhaps some little post-graduate work was done, and have spent in all 299 days in ritualistic work, etc. * * *

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters three lodges were granted charters, and one was continued under dispensation.

Last year the Committee on Appeals reported that it had nothing to do, and did it. This year the same committee reports the adjudication of one case which came before it on appeal, as follows: After trial of a brother by his lodge, the sentence was as follows—

That while we believe that Brother ———— was guilty of indescretions both as a man, and a Mason, in considering all of the evidence submitted, we did not find that he was guilty of the charges preferred, the substance of which was that he had violated his masonic obligation.

From this sentence the accused appealed, and on report and recommendation of the committee the appeal was sustained, and the secretary of the lodge was ordered to expunge from the records of the lodge the words—

While we believe Brother ———— was guilty of indescretions, both as a man and a Mason.

The proceedings contain a roster of all the members of lodges whereby two hundred thirty-three pages are filled with names only.

The report of the board of governors of the masonic home shows the collection during the year of the sum of $31,011.33 on account of the Home Fund, of which $24,131.00 was appropriated by the grand lodge, and the balance was derived from divers sources. Practically all of this was expended for ordinary running expenses and improvements. At date of report there were at the home seventy-two children, thirty-nine girls and thirty-three boys.

From the Committee on Masonic Home the following is extracted—

Your Committee on Masonic Home desires to record with sorrow the death of our beloved Brother Sol W. Fleishman, who for over twenty years served as a member of this committee,—never missed a meeting in all these years. He took genuine interest in all that tended to the welfare of the home, and his love for the children was most tender and sincere. This was attested by a bequest of $1,000.00 to the home, the interest of which amount is to be used to give the children an outing or treat on the Fourth of July of each year. He also left an additional gift to the home of $500.00 outright. * * *

Brother Henry Knox Field was elected grand master, and Brother Charles Albert Nesbitt was re-elected grand secretary.

Following the installation ceremonies, it appears from the record that the new grand master was the recipient of a basket of beautiful flowers, presented in the name of the Order of the Eastern Star, with the love and best wishes of the donors.

There is a report on foreign correspondence subscribed by Brother Joseph W. Eggleston, past grand master, which is well up to his usual standard of excellence. Every one of its two hundred pages contains matter worthy of the attention of the craft.

Six of his pages are devoted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois, (1916) and his treatment is fraternal and cordial. In the beginning he says—

We feel like giving Brother Cutter a scolding. * * * It was stated that the deputy grand master opened the grand lodge in ample form, which showed that the grand master was present. After some preliminaries, including music, and the announcements of committees it was said, at this time the grand master presented his annual report. When we reached the end of the report it was not signed. Working along to page 88, we find who was elected, and turning to our own report of last year, we learn that it was the same man. Name him in the beginning Brother Cutter, and save us unnecessary labor.

He notices what was said by the grand master, just previous to the commencement of his annual report, concerning attendance of past grand masters and district deputies, and makes the appropriate comment—

Truly a creditable and remarkable showing.

He quotes from Brother Wheeler's report what is said concerning the Advisory Board, and its successful working; from what is therein said concerning the flag; from what is therein suggested concerning members of lodges who are "legally dead"; and as to the mode of procedure in case a member of a lodge desires to change his name, and have masonic records show the same. He notices the introduction of the amendment to our by-laws, controlling honorary membership, and expresses the opinion that their Virginia law is preferable, in that it provides that none but past masters are eligible, and distinctly confers the right to vote and hold office.

Our brother is most gracious in his treatment of the report on correspondence, quoting in full the "Salutatory" of the author, whereupon he very kindly says—

He then proceeds to give the craft masonic literature, and not statistics, (merely).

This writer cannot flatter himself that this compliment is deserved, but he will take it as an incentive for giving the best of which he is capable. Our brother reproduces also what we said last year in the review of New York, in rejoinder to Brother Sherer's criticism of Brother Owen Scott.

In his "Conclusion" our brother notes certain tendencies which as he opines are calculated to produce deterioration in the body of Masonry, and which to say the least challenge the attention of thoughtful Masons. He says—

We have no right to permit the would-be-progressive among us to try their prentice hand at improving it by introducing changes in imitation of anything on God's green earth.

Whereupon he mentions: Charging dues annually in advance for the convenience of the secretaries; requiring receipt for dues before examination; marching in regalia, save on strictly masonic occasions; calling from labor to refreshment and entertaining mixed Masons and profanes; striving for membership; and concluding he says—

But perhaps worse and most destructive of all, is permitting our peaceful institution, which is in its very essence the antithesis of controversy, to be drawn into religious contention. * * * That we are sometimes attacked today by the Roman Church, as we have been for centuries, is no excuse whatever. Wordy defense is confession of weak vulnerability, and is just what Rome wants. Their fulminations have never hurt us in all the ages, and if we only have the sense to leave them to beat the air, they never will. * * * Our fathers had none of these mistakes in their Masonry. These, and some others are modern innovations, and should be rigorously weeded out. Let us keep our Masonry pure and simple; do what we can for our fellow-man, especially those of our household, and let other organizations do as they will.

Brother Henry K. Field, Grand Master, Alexandria; Brother Charles A. Nesbitt, Grand Secretary, Richmond.

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## WASHINGTON—1916

205 Lodges 59th Annual 21,698 Members

The volume containing the printed proceedings of this grand lodge is bound in the very bluest of blue boards, and is ornamented by pictures of Brother Robert L. Sebastian, retiring grand master, and Brother Robert C. Hill, past grand master, deceased.

The annual meeting of the grand lodge was held at Tacoma, commencing June 13, 1916, and was opened in ample form and presided over by Brother Sebastian, grand master, all the other grand lodge officers being in their respective places. Lending dignity to the assemblage eighteen past grand masters were in attendance, and forty-four representatives of foreign grand lodges occupied seats in the diplomatic circle, the envoy of Illinois, not of this number.

An address of welcome, couched in felicitous and fitting terms was delivered by Brother Earl A. Richardson on behalf of the Masons of Tacoma, and was responded to in kind, by the junior grand warden, Brother Alonzo E. Emerson.

Brother Francis J. Burd, representative of the Grand Lodge of Washington, near the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, and Brother William A. DeWolf-Smith, grand secretary of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia presented themselves as visitors and were accorded a fraternal welcome by the grand lodge.

The grand master's address is a well worded account of his official acts and doings, and fills nineteen pages of the proceedings.

With becoming expressions of sorrow, he announced the death during the year of Brother Robert C. Hill, past grand master.

Under the topic, "Decisions," the grand master appropriately says—

I made no decisions, and for this reason. The decision field has been rather well covered, and such questions as were presented to me, could in most cases be answered by referring the inquirer to our code. A decision, in my opinion should be on an absolutely new point, and none such came up to me during the year.

The grand master reported the constituting of six new lodges during the year, four in person and two by proxy; the laying of ten corner stones, three in person and seven by proxy; the dedication of one masonic hall and the granting of nine special dispensations, four to enable lodges to elect or install officers at times different from that prescribed by the by-laws, and five for what strikes one as very trivial purposes.

The grand master reported the receipt during the year of a copy of the protest of the Grand Regional Lodge of the Philippine Islands No. 2, and recommended that the grand lodge take action thereon. This part of the address was referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which reported—

There is nothing contained in that report which seems to justify a change in our relations to the Grand Lodge of Philippine Islands heretofore assumed. * * *

Under the topic, "Masonic Home," the grand master said—

Owing to the increased number of applications, there is now no room for additional guests at the home; indeed in my opinion some of the rooms now occupied should not be. * * * It does not seem to me to be a good idea to require the ailing occupants of the home to occupy rooms that at times become almost unbearably warm, as do the attic rooms, or rooms that may be damp and cheerless as those on the ground floor must be. * * *

This part of the grand master's address was referred to the trustees of the home, whose report recommended the construction of an additional building, and stated that plans were under way for such improvement.

At time of the report there were forty-one guests in the home, of whom nine were children. It appears that the cost to the grand lodge for maintenance during the past year was $7,909.22 for the main building

and $1,627.90 for the children's cottage. This furnishes another illustration of the same old law that throws a damper over our efforts at this form of beneficence—

The more elaborate the provision for dependents, the greater will be the number of dependents.

Concerning the matter at issue between this grand lodge and the Grand Lodge of Idaho, as to a claim for re-imbursement for assistance rendered by an Idaho lodge to a suspended member of a Washington lodge, the grand master said—

During the year I received a bill, supported by an affidavit, of $405.00 for assistance extended to the brother, though no authority was given to extend any. I referred the bill to the master of ———— Lodge, asking if that lodge could see its way toward paying the bill, or any part of it. * * * I do not recommend the payment of the bill, or any part of it. I report this outline to you simply because of a promise made to the grand master of Idaho. * * *

I am of the opinion that the Idaho brethren knew exactly what chances they were taking in expending money without authorization, and I think we are under no legal or moral obligation to reimburse them.

This part of the grand master's address was referred to the Committee on Charity, the report of which recommended that this claim be disallowed. The report was concurred in by the grand lodge.

Under the topic, "Past Master's Degree," the grand master said—

Among thoughtful writers on the subjects connected with our craft, the opinion is growing stronger that the manner that is in vogue in this, and some other jurisdictions of conferring the Past Master's degree, or communicating the "so-called secrets of the chair," is not in keeping with the dignity of our institution. I am fully in accord with this view. A masonic gathering is no place for buffoonery. It is with a positive shock that some masters witness the conferring of the degree, for the methods only too frequently followed are totally at variance with their ideas of things masonic. I recommend that the method that has hitherto obtained in this jurisdiction of conferring this degree be abandoned, and that the degree be either omitted altogether, or so changed in its workings that no Master Mason need feel like apologizing for it.

This portion of the address was referred to the "Board of Custodians" in the report of which is the recommendation that—

Past Master's degree be conferred strictly in accordance with the ritual.

The recommendation was concurred in by the grand lodge.

In his "conclusion" the grand master said—

I do not question for a moment the value of the study of symbolism, even though in my opinion, if pursued too far it leads into the devious paths of mysticism; I have every admiration for the student of the jurisprudence, of the history and of the ritualism of our institution; but I urge upon you all, that however necessary and attractive these things may be,

the principle attraction for ordinary men in the institution of Freemasonry in the United States, is in my opinion the opportunity to do practical and efficient work along the lines of relief.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year on account of the general fund of $25,624.55, of which the sum of $19,521.25 was grand lodge dues. On account of the home fund he collected $16,260.35 of which the sum of $8,901.75 was from lodges, and the balance from divers sources. The report of the Committee on Returns and Work shows a net increase in membership during the year of 974.

During the session the following resolution was offered—

Resolved that the altar of each lodge under the jurisdiction of this grand lodge be draped with the United States flag whenever its Great Lights are displayed.

This resolution was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and on its report and recommendation the grand lodge adopted the following—

Lodges in this grand jurisdiction are to be commended in the display of the United States flag in their halls, at any time, but not upon the altar.

The tedium of the session was relieved by an oration, delivered by Brother Francis S. Thompson, grand orator, his theme being, "Mastership Through Symbols," which was highly instructive and entertaining, and is printed in the proceedings. It is well worthy of the place.

The Committee on "Revision of the Monitor," which undertook to unload its grist on the grand lodge at the last annual meeting, and to which the matter had been referred for further action again reported. Upon the reading of the report a motion was made to postpone action indefinitely. A substitute to this motion was offered again referring the matter back to the same committee, with directions to report at the next annual meeting. On this last named motion the vote was a tie, and the grand master cast the decisive vote in favor of the substitute motion, and the committee will make the third effort at the revision. Following this action it was—

Resolved, that the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington respectfully request each sister grand lodge in the United States to appoint a Committee on Revision of Monitor; said committee to confer with each other from time to time until the year 1825, when they shall make a recommendation of the results of their work to the several grand lodges.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence this resolution was not adopted. Perhaps it is well that this resolution was defeated, for if it requires at least three years for one committee to prepare a revision satisfactory to one grand lodge, it would appear that there is little reason to believe that fifty committees could prepare a

revision satisfactory to fifty grand lodges in the time mentioned in the resolution. If the Grand Lodge of Washington could obtain the services of our "Tony" for about two hours their perplexities over revision of the Monitor would scatter to the four winds of heaven, or at least they should.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Charters and New Lodges seven lodges were granted charters, and two were continued under dispensation.

Brother George R. Malcom was elected grand master, and Brother Horace W. Tyler was re-elected grand secretary.

The retiring grand master was presented with a gold watch, suitably engraved attached to a fob-chain which was adorned with a beautiful grand master's jewel, as appears from the record.

A resolution was offered authorizing the in-coming grand master—

To constitute a bureau of lecturers and arrange for addresses to the lodges, at their convenience, the expense therefor to be defrayed by this grand lodge when necessary.

This was referred to the Committee on Finance, where it was apparently put to sleep.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Brother Ralph C. McAllaster, and consists of forty-six pages, arranged on the topical plan.

Of the review, (1915) he says—

Bro. Scott reviews our 1914 proceedings in about two pages. * * * He compares the action of our grand chapter R. A. M. in demanding representation on the board, if they are to continue to contribute with that of the grand chapter of Illinois, from which a gift of $50,000.00 is cold cash came without one string tied to it. * * * He disapproves the Past Master's degree, saying that the new master will learn fast enough as he goes into actual service. He disapproves of our giving gifts of intrinsic value. * * *

Under the topic, "Commercializing Masonry," he quotes from the grand master of Texas as follows—

It is impossible for a Master Mason, while under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Texas, to act as a soliciting agent for the Masonic Life Association of Buffalo, New York without violating the laws, resolutions and edicts of the Grand Lodge of Texas, and says

This is in accord with the practice of Washington, and we are in hearty sympathy with this law. It has been the basis of a successful suit for damages in this state within a year. Masonry is not for the financial profits of its members; and all men going into it for that purpose should be made to realize that it is a failure, and that he has never been a Mason.

Under the topic, "Exclusion of Members," he quotes, without comment, the order of the Grand Lodge of England prohibiting members of

lodges of Austrian, German, Hungarian or Turkish birth from attending masonic meetings during the continuance of the war.

Under the topic, "Music," he says —

The grand lodge of Illinois has prepared a volume of ceremonial music which may be of very great value to the craft as a whole.

Whereupon he quotes from the report of our Committee on Music for the purpose of showing the character of the selections.

Under the topic, "Volume of the Sacred Law," he reproduces Brother Owen Scott's views concerning the Bible upon the altar as essential to regularity.

Under the topic, "Physical Qualifications," he says—

The doctrine of physical perfection has had its day, and is on the wane. wane.

If by this he means that the time will ever come when Mr. Mackey's 18th, land mark will be entirely disregarded, it is to be hoped that his prophecy is wrong; if he means that it is unlikely that all grand lodges will adopt the usage of Pennsylvania in this regard his views are to be commended.

These constitute the extremes, and of the two, the position of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is the more logical.

Most of us do not incline to extremes, and hence believe that the law of Illinois in this respect is exactly right.

The next annual meeting will be held at Seattle.

Brother George R. Malcom, Grand Master, Walla Walla; Brother Horace W. Tyler, Grand Secretary, Tacoma.

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## WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1916

90 Lodges 17th Annual 4,108 Members

The volume at hand shows that quarterly communications of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia, Ancient, Free and Accepted masons were held at Boulder, July 22, 1915; at Perth, October 28, 1915, and January 27, 1916; and that the annual communication was held in Perth, April 27, 1916. At all of these meetings the grand lodge was opened in ample form and presided over by Brother C. O. L. Riley, archbishop of Perth, grand master.

At the annual, the representatives of thirty-eight foreign grand bodies were present, Brother J. M. Macfarlane, the envoy of Illinois, of this number.

At each of the meetings held the grand master delivered an address, in which his official acts were noted, and an account of his ceremonial visits to lodges given. During the recess of the grand lodge the Board of General Purposes comes so near being the whole grand lodge, that the grand master has but little to do besides issuing special dispensations and making official visits. Taking the reports of the four meetings of the grand lodge, above mentioned, it appears that during the year the grand master made eighty-two visits to the lodges under his obedience, and issued sixty-one special dispensations for the usual purposes common to the English outfit, such as to enable lodges to attend divine service, etc.

All of the grand master's addresses, at these several meetings are colored by the war situation.

At the first mentioned meeting he said—

A year ago grand lodge met at a time which turned out to be far more critical and anxious than we imagined. Events were moving on fast, but a year ago no one would have imagined that within a few days one of the most terrible, most unprovoked and most wicked wars would have commenced. * * * At first, I think we did not look upon the war sufficiently seriously. Perhaps the reason was that England has been engaged in so many frontier wars, and we have always left it to the army and navy, as we knew they would do their duty and carry out what they were asked to do. I believe the same ideas were in our minds when this war broke out. We had been told so often that all we wanted was a big fleet, and everything would be safe. We have our big fleet but we soon found that everything was not safe, etc. * * *

At the second meeting mentioned, he said—

As each communication comes we hope it will be the last one held under the cloud of a great and dreadful war. We keep full of hope, as is our nature, but still the months go wearily along, etc. * * *

At the third quarterly, he said—

We often wonder what Masons in other countries are thinking about the war, and how those dwelling in enemy countries can reconcile their warlike spirit with their masonic duty. Of course we do not hear very much,—we wish we could hear more, because I look to Masonry to play a great part in the development of the peace movement in the future. * * *

At the annual meeting, on the same topic he said—

In the old Charges we were told that the craftsmen should be of a peaceful disposition, because Freemasonry has ever flourished in times of peace, and has decayed in times of war. Still as Freemasons we are taught to remember the allegiance due to the sovereign of our native

land, ever remembering that nature has implanted in our breast a sacred and indissoluble attachment to that country whence we derived our birth and infant nurture. * * *

Without any purpose to offend, it is suggested that the distinguished brother must have a specially edited copy of the Ancient Charges, as the copy thereof on this table says nothing directly or indirectly about allegiance due to the sovereign.

At the quarterly meeting of January, 1916, Brother Riley was re-elected grand master, and the manner thereof, as disclosed by the record is as follows—

R. W. Bro. J. S. Battye, P. D. G. M. said:—I beg to nominate M. W. Bro. the Most Rev. Charles Owen Leaver Riley, D.D., archbishop of Perth, to be re-elected grand master of this grand lodge for the ensuing twelve months, and the fact that it is a re-election after so many re-elections speaks all one need say concerning it. The nomination was seconded by R. W. Bro. P. W. Harrison, P. S. G. W. The deputy grand master, R. W. Bro. A. C. McCallum, said:—As there are no other nominations, I declare the nominations to be closed I have therefore much pleasure in declaring the M. W. grand master re-elected for a further term of office.

At the annual meeting a grand treasurer, six members of the Board of General Purposes, and three members of the Board of Benevolence were elected.

All the grand lodge officers were appointed by the grand master. This same machine first landed Brother Riley into the office of grand master in 1904, and in the manner above shown has annually landed him ever since to date, and a more constant, convenient, practical self-perpetuating machine could scarcely be imagined. It is enough to challenge the administration, even of Brother Thomas J. Shryock, of Maryland.

Under the topic, ''Obituary,'' the grand master announced the death during the year of Brother Sir Winthrop Hackett, grand master in 1901 to 1903.

Under the topic, ''Finances,'' the grand master said—

The balance at present standing to the credit of the general fund is £5,091; the fund of benevolence, £5799; the widows and orphans, and aged Freemason's fund, £9,437; and Freemason's Hall account £13,274; giving a grand total of £34,411, showing a gain for the year of £1,350. When these figures are considered in conjunction with the fact that we gave away nearly £1,000 in charity during the year, it is surely ample proof that it was a wise thing to have established a Grand Lodge for Western Australia. * * *

Under the head of ''Membership,'' he said—

Sixteen years ago our grand lodge was formed with 33 lodges on the roll. Today there are 97 lodges on the register with a membership of 4,108, showing a decrease of 11 for the year. After nearly 21 months of

the war the falling off in membership might reasonably have been greater, and as the loss is more than represented by brethren who have fallen on the field of battle we may take comfort in the belief that in these trying times the brethren remain as firmly attached to their lodges as ever. * * *

The grand master announced that, "In accordance with established custom," he had during the year, conferred "Grand Rank" upon three worthy brethren. The rank of past senior grand deacon was conferred upon one, that of past junior grand deacon upon another, and upon a third was conferred thet rank of past grand director of ceremonies. In thus honoring these brethren the grand master evidently thought he was doing something worth while, and it is to be hoped that they are duly appreciative.

The Board of General Purposes reported having granted a joint application from lodges 22 and 79 to "Amalgamate" under the name and number of the older of the two. It also reported that upon application of certain lodges the following resolution had been adopted—

That for the duration of the war, and upon application being made, lodges shall be entitled to a refund of all grand lodge dues payable on account of brethren on active service as from 1st January, 1915.

Following the account of the closing of grand lodge, the record shows that—

At the conclusion of thet proceedings the festival was held in the large banqueting hall, at which a record and enthusiastic gathering was presided over by the M. W. grand master, and the usual loyal and masonic toasts were honored.

There is a report on correspondence from a committee consisting of eight brethren, the chairman thereof being Brother J. D. Stevenson grand secretary. The report comprises 148 pages, and is well prepared. Three pages are devoted to a review of the Proceedings of Illinois for 1915. The report notes the fact that the grand master, Brother Henry T. Burnap, is also the representative of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and quotes at some length from his annual report. Notice is taken of the cases reported of the gentleman desiring to be relieved of the attentions of the lady supposed to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star; of the man who invoked the aid of the grand master in the collection of an account; the wife who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband, and the twice rejected man, who desired to be made a Mason "at sight"; and in explanation it is said by the committee—

We quote these as instructive of the ideas of some of the uninstructed as regards Freemasonry in that jurisdiction.

Notice is taken of the holding of the grand master with reference to clubs adjacent to lodge rooms, and the observation is made that it—

Is one that will doubtless prove interesting to some Western Australian brethren.

Notice is taken of what the grand master said concerning our masonic homes, and bequests to the fund for the support of same.

Extensive quotations from our statistical reports and tables are made.

Of the review, it is said—

Brother Owen Scott again presents an excellent review of the proceedings of the various grand lodges. The Western Australia volume unfortunately had not reached Brother Scott at the time his report went to press, which fact we much regret.

Whereupon parts of Brother Scott's table of statistics are re-produced.

Brother C. O. L. Riley, Archbishop of Perth, Grand Master; Brother J. D. Stevenson, Grand Secretary, Freemasons' Hall, Perth.

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## WEST VIRGINIA—1916

151 Lodges 52nd Annual 19,693 Members

The volume of proceedings of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia, is highly embellished, containing full page portraits of Brethren Charles E. Carrigan, grand master, Colonel Robert White, senior past grand master, George Hatch, past grand master, Wm. G. Bennett, past grand master, Neil Robinson, past grand master, and Henry Krug.

The annual communication was held at Huntington, commencing November 15, 1916, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by Brother T. Wilbur Hennen, grand master, all the other grand lodge officers being in their stations. Eighteen past grand masters gave tone and dignity to the assemblage, and the representatives of forty-three foreign grand bodies were recorded present, Brother Thomas P. Jacobs, the representative of Illinois, of this number.

The grand master's address fills thirty-two pages, and recounts the most important among his official acts during his term. In terms expressive of sorrow and deprivation he announced the death, during the year of four past grand masters, namely, Brethren Robert White, George Hatch, William G. Bennett and Neil Robinson. Among the distinguished dead of other grand jurisdictions mention is made of our past grand master, William H. Scott.

The grand master said—

Since last we met, the world has passed through one of the momentous years of history, but in spite of the turmoils and disaster with which our fellow creatures of many nations have been and are still surrounded, we return our heartfelt thanks to Almighty God, through whose divine guidance we have been led through paths of peace and unbounded prosperity. * * * While our hearts are filled with praise and thanksgiving for the many evidences of divine favor, yet there comes a feeling of sadness when we look about us and note the absence of familiar faces of many brethren with whom we have associated. * * *

The grand master announced the granting of fifteen special dispensations, most of them for purposes such as election and installation of lodge officers, and the like, of the granting of permission for lodges to remove from one hall to another in the same town, and the laying of thirteen corner stones, seven in person and six by proxy, and the dedication of one hall. The grand master reported a visit to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania at its annual meeting, held in Philadelphia, and his attendance at the annual meeting of the Washington Memorial Association, held at Alexandria, Va.

Thirty-two decisions are reported by the grand master, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence and the grand lodge in a single sentence, nearly all of them construing some part of their code, and none of them of great interest or concern to outsiders. In decision numbered 2, the grand master decided that—

A profane who cannot conform to the ritual without the aid of artificial appliances is physically disqualified for initiation.

In passing upon the physical fitness of a candidate whose hearing was impaired, it was held in No. 32 that—

If the work can be imparted to him without the aid of mechanical devices and without endangering its secrecy he should be considered eligible.

In No. 28 it was decided that—

The conferring of degrees in this jurisdiction, as a matter of courtesy for a lodge of some other grand jurisdiction must be done in conformity with our laws and ritual.

This last named decision appears to have been rendered necessary by the request from a lodge under the obedience of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, requesting a lodge of West Virginia to confer a degree for it, and not only so, but to confer it in conformity to the Ohio ritual. It would appear that the correctness of the decision could not be challenged.

The grand master reported that during the year thirteen requests had been received and acted upon by the lodges of his obedience to confer degrees for lodges of other grand jurisdictions, and that, in turn, nine-

teen requests of the same character had been preferred by West Virginia lodge to foreign lodges, and by them acted upon,—all of which had been arranged by him, and the several grand masters concerned.

Under the head of "Fees and Dues," the grand master said--

I am of the opinion that the matter of fees and dues and the regulations concerning the payment of the latter should be readjusted, so as to be more adequate for the requirements of the lodges, and less confusing as to the method of enforcement. * * * It is apparent that the income of a large number of our lodges is insufficient to support them in a dignified manner and provide against emergent demands for charity or other causes. * * *

Whereupon he proceeds to recommend that the minimum fee for conferring the degrees be raised from twenty to thirty dollars, and that the minimum sum which lodges may fix as annual dues be fixed at four dollars. As to the matter of increasing the fees for the degrees the grand master's recommendation bore fruit at once, an amendment being introduced in accordance therewith,—which will be voted upon at the next annual meeting.

In some of its aspects, at least, the best and most interesting matter in the grand master's address was the announcement that Brother Henry Krug, deceased, late a member of Phoenix Lodge No. 73, by the terms of his last will and testament had bequeathed to the grand lodge a sum approximating $15,000.00, the yearly income from which was to be used in the construction of a home, or in other ways expended for masonic beneficence, as the grand lodge may direct. Following this announcement, and due consideration by a committee, the preliminary steps for the erection of a masonic home were taken, and judging from present prospects it may not be long till this grand lodge will undertake this form of beneficence.

The grand lodge ordered that the picture, with a memorial sketch of Brother Krug, be inserted in the proceedings, which was done, and that a memorial tablet, suitably inscribed be by the grand lodge placed in the lodge of which he was lately a member. Judging from his biography, this is all very well, as the late brother appears to have been a very good, and a very successful business man, and to have cultivated philanthropy extensively, on the side.

From the report of the grand secretary it appears that he collected during the year the sum of $14,792.87 of which the sum of $14,069.60 was dues from lodges, and the balance from divers sources. From the table of returns of lodges a net gain in membership of 865 is shown.

This grand jurisdiction is divided into fifteen masonic districts, and for each district is appointed a district deputy grand master. There is

appointed also a grand lecturer, who is provided with an assistant grand lecturer for each district. The reports of the district deputy grand masters, the grand lecturer, and the fifteen assistant grand lecturers are all published in the proceedings, and some of them furnish very good reading. Taken in a group they tend to show that the general condition of Masonry is good, and that the ritual receives due consideration.

In the report of the grand lecturer among other things appears the following—

The lodges have shown commendable interest in the work, and the deputies have been zealous and untiring in imparting instructions. * * * The grand lecturer and deputies have also given much individual instruction during the year. I strongly recommend: 1. That each lodge have an official visit from a lecturer each year. 2. That all Master Masons learn the M. M. catechism immediately after the conferring of the degree, being examined in same in open lodge. 3. That all lodge officers learn perfectly the printed sections, as well as the unwritten parts of our beautiful masonic lectures ,etc. * * *

The grand lodge has a committee on "Work" which made a report in which it is stated that—

Your committee calls attention to the grand lodge to the report of the Committee on Proceedings of Grand Officers at last grand annual communication, insofar as said report commits the grand lodge to saying the deputy lecturers "constitute a considerable and annoying expense," to the grand lodge. It may be true that your committee on work is a considerable expense; but we respectfully and fraternally submit that such expense is not an annoying one. We therefore recommend that the expression referred to, adopted last year, in so far as it designates the expense of the deputy lectures as "annoying" be, and the same is hereby withdrawn.

The report, recommendation, and all, was adopted.

Brother Charles E. Carrigan was elected grand master, and Brother John M. Collins was re-elected grand secretary.

Following installation ceremonies the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's jewel and apron. .

The printed proceedings of this grand lodge cover 168 pages, the roster of membership in the lodges 189 pages and the report on foreign correspondence 159 pages. The report on correspondence is again from the pen of Brother George W. Atkinson, past grand master, and is an admirable resume of current doings in the masonic world. The Proceedings of Illinois, for 1915, are considerately and fairly treated by him. Our brother quotes from the opening part of Brother Burnap's annual report, and from what is said concerning district deputy grand masters. He notes our attitude concerning clubs adjacent to lodges, the condition of our homes, and schools of instruction, and the revision of our burial service, as severally shown in the grand master's report. Of the review he says—

The report on fraternal correspondence is from the able brain and pen of Past Grand Master Owen Scott.

Whereupon he quotes from what Brother Scott says concerning the European war and the exclusion act of the Grand Lodge of England; from what he says of the attitude of the Grand Lodge of Delaware toward the Order of the Eastern Star; (review of Delaware, 1915) and from his reply to Brother Gay of Indiana, (review of Ind., 1915).

In conclusion he says—

I beg to particularly indorse Brother Scott's custom of hitting a cipher every time, and everywhere it sticks up its head.

The next annual will be held at Parkersburg.

Brother CHARLES E. CARRIGAN, Grand Master, Moundsville; Brother JOHN M. COLLINS, Grand Secretary, Charleston.

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## WISCONSIN—1917

280 LODGES 73RD ANNUAL 33,299 MEMBERS

Full page photographs of seven past grand lodge officers, all deceased, adorn the volume of proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

The annual meeting was held in Milwaukee, commencing June 12, 1917, and the grand lodge was opened and presided over by Brother Cyrus S. Stockwell, grand master, assisted by a full corps of grand lodge officers.

Thirteen past grand masters were in attendance and the representatives of forty grand jurisdictions were in the diplomatic circle, Brother Charles C. Rogers, the representative of Illinois, of the number.

The grand master's address very briefly recounts his official acts and doings for the year, with the recommendations and suggestions he found it expedient to submit. Concerning the war, he said—

We meet today under the shadow of the great world war, a struggle for which history furnishes no parallel, neither in the vast number under arms, nor the ruthlessness with which it is being waged. Europe, the accredited center of the world's civilization, is aflame with the spirit of hate and destruction. * * * The time so long foretold, when swords shall be beaten into plowshares and spears into pruning-hooks, appears to be yet far in the future. Into this seething, boiling maelstrom our own country has been forced, and we are now a part of that titanic struggle. It is now too late for discussing the causes which drew us into the war. The time has come for action, not criticism. * * * Let us forget that we are partisans of any party. In fact, forget that we have a political creed, and remember only this, that the allegiance which we owe to our country is second only to that which we owe to our God, and that the eyes of the world are upon us. Brethren, this

is not taking Masonry into politics, nor bringing politics into Masonry, but we as Americans, whether our ancestors came over in the Mayflower, or whether we came through Castle Garden yesterday, should have this thought ever uppermost in our minds; *we are American citizens.*

Under the head of "Necrology" announcement was made of the decease during the year of three members of the official family, namely, Brethren Everett Cutler, grand chaplain; William A. Ramsey, grand pursuivant; Warren H. Porter, grand marshal, and of many other brethren of local prominence. Among the names of distinguished dead of other jurisdictions appears that of Brother Albert B. Ashley, past grand master, of Illinois.

Concerning "Masonic Home," the grand master said—

This grand lodge in 1915 committed the Masons of Wisconsin to the policy of maintaining a masonic home. This act has met the approbation of the craft in general, and in June, 1916, the action was ratified and a committee on masonic home affairs was appointed at that session. The report of this committee will be placed before you at this session, and I bespeak for it your careful and earnest consideration, etc. * * *

From the report of the committee mentioned in the address. it appears that the site of the proposed home is on a farm of three hundred twenty acres, near Dousman, in Waukesha County, by the Consistory conveyed to trustees for the grand lodge; that plans for a suitable building had been prepared; and rules and regulations suggested for its management, with rules for the admission of residents, etc. On motion this report was adopted by the grand lodge, and the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars appropriated for the building and equipment of the home.

Brother Aldro Jenks, Committee on Foreign Correspondence, proposed an amendment to the constitution, providing for a special assessment upon lodges equal to one dollar *per capita* annually, to continue for three years, and to be used as a building fund. This, being referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence was approved and reported to the grand lodge, with the recommendation that it be adopted, whereupon the amendment was adopted.

Six decisions were reported by the grand master, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence and the grand lodge save one, the one disapproved being as follows—

Question: Is it a proper use of the lodge funds to donate a sum for the equipment of boy scouts? Answer: No. The funds of the lodge are designed primarily for the legitimate expenses of the lodge and for the practice of masonic charity, etc. * * *

In its dissent from this opinion it is said by the committee—

Decision number 1 is not approved. The lodge has the legal right to control its own funds so far as the disposition of such funds does not impair its ability to discharge its duty to the craft. Nevertheless, the funds of the

lodge are designed primarily to meet the legitimate expenses of the lodge, and the practice of masonic charity.

The code of Wisconsin is not before this writer, but with due respect to the right worshipful committee, and to the judgment of the grand lodge, it is suggested that on general principles, both as a matter of right, and of expediency, the opinion of the grand master announced the correct rule.

The grand master announced the issuing of ninety special dispensations, for the purposes of enabling lodges to waive residence qualifications; the time between degrees; permitting lodges to take part in loyalty demonstrations, and like purposes. Concerning the last named, he said—

In respect to the granting of dispensations permitting lodges to participate in loyalty demonstrations, I am not entirely sure of my ground, but I have no apologies to offer. * * *

The grand master announced that—

I received a request from ———— Lodge, for a special dispensation to allow an organization known as "*The True Kindred,*" to occupy their lodge room for the purpose of holding meetings at stated intervals. The annual communication of the grand lodge being so near at hand, I did not grant the dispensation aforesaid, but hereby refer the whole matter, together with all letters, to the grand lodge, asking that the matter be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The committee decided, in effect, that under their code the grand master has the right to issue the dispensation mentioned, but that the right, on grounds of expediency ought not to be exercised. In this report it is stated, that—

The True Kindred is not a masonic body any more than would the order of Odd Fellows be if it decided hereafter to extend the privileges of membership only to those who were of the masonic fraternity. The grand master * * * has the legal right to grant such a dispensation. The grand lodge however, has always opposed the formation of these, what are usually known as "*side degrees,*" and we would very strongly recommend the grand master to refuse to grant applications in favor of "The True Kindred." We have examined the ritual of this aspirant for masonic favor, and find in it much to criticise, although the purposes of the organization are benevolent. It makes use of the apron, and square and compasses, and other things closely connected with the masonic institution, and would seem to have too intimate *intermixture* of things masonic with an organization that includes within its membership the wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of Masons.

The position of the committee, approved by the grand lodge, holding that this particular "Side issue," is not masonic is eminently correct, but to the extent, and for the reason, that its announcement may be taken to imply that *anything, except the Masonry of the ancient charges, is masonic,* or may with propriety be recognized by Masons *as masonic,* is liable to be misleading. The efforts of grand lodges to make distinctions between good and bad "Side issues," produce a worse "*Intermixture*" by far, than the

meetings of other bodies in the same halls used by lodges can by any possibility produce. The matter of sub-letting might very safely be left to the lodges concerned.

The grand master recommended a revision of the code, and the appointment by his successor of a committee with directions to make such revision, and—

To prepare an index to this volume, so that the law on any given subject can be found, etc. * * *

Continuing, he said—

As an example of good indexing, I would refer this committee to constitution, laws and edicts of our neighboring jurisdiction, Illinois.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported adversely on the revision proposition, and the grand lodge agreed to the report.

The grand master reported the constituting of three lodges and the issuing of one dispensation for the formation of a lodge. Seven corner stones were laid, and four temples dedicated. Concerning "Temples" the grand master took occasion to say—

There has been much activity on the part of Wisconsin lodges for the last fifteen years in the erection of masonic buildings, and approximately forty-five per cent of the lodges in the state are holding their meetings in their own buildings. Several of our lodges are heavily involved in debt, so much so that it is seriously impairing their usefulness as lodges. * * * A lodge that is hopelessly in debt has little usefulness as a lodge.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year as dues from lodges, the sum of $37,825.00, of which $17,844.60 was placed to the credit of the General Fund; $16,650.00 to the credit of the Home Fund and $3,329.90 to the credit of the Charity Fund.

The same report shows a net increase in membership during the year of 1,433.

On report and recommendation of the Committee on Dispensations to form and open new lodges, it was ordered that charters issue to three new lodges.

Three pages of the proceedings are covered by the report of a committee on "Masonic Research," which concludes with the recommendation that a permanent committee on Masonic research be appointed to further the study side of Masonry to such an extent as is possible, and that the sum of $300.00 be appropriated for the use of such committee. The report and recommendations were concurred in by the grand lodge. A resolution was offered by Past Grand Master George B. Wheeler authorizing the investment of $5,000.00 grand lodge funds in United States Liberty bonds, which being referred to the trustees was reported upon favorably, and on motion the resolution was unanimously adopted by the grand lodge.

Brother Willard S. Griswold was elected grand master, and Brother William W. Perry was re-elected grand secretary. The record of the proceedings shows the following thrilling incident.

The grand master having by some stratagem been induced to retire to the parlor, presently following, there was an alarm at the door, and the junior grand deacon announced that—

Three generations of the Stockwell family, all Master Masons, desired admission. The deputy grand master called the grand lodge up, when in came our beloved grand master, Cyrus S. Stockwell, followed by past senior grand warden, Cyrus D. Stockwell, and Brother Cyrus G. Stockwell—three generations of the Stockwell family—all Master Masons. Brother Cyrus G. Stockwell was clothed in a uniform of a soldier of the United States. The grand lodge organist was not present, but the brethren sang two verses of "America" without accompaniment, which made the *welkin ring.* * * *

They were conducted to the East and by the deputy grand master presented to the grand lodge.

Continuing the record shows that—

Now it was incumbent upon the three generations to reply. The grandfather, (the grand master) was unable to respond. The father was visibly affected. He too stood mute, and it was from the third generation, the young soldier, that we waited breathlessly for a word. After but a moment for thought the young soldier brother said in substance: "If I am permitted to come home again and be a citizen instead of a soldier, it will be the ideal of my life to do my full duty as a Mason,to God and humanity." We doubt if a more pathetic incident ever occurred in masonic lodge.

The following resolution was adopted, and the grand secretary ordered to insert a copy thereof in the annual notices hereafter, to-wit—

Resolved that any lodge failing to be represented at the annual communication of the grand lodge be fined ten dollars therefor, without such failure is excused by the grand lodge, such sum to be charged up to the lodge by the grand secretary.

Following the installation, the retiring grand master was presented with a past grand master's jewel.

The report on foreign correspondence is again by Brother Aldro Jenks, past grand master, and is well up to the usual standard of excellence of his former reports. From the language used in his introduction our distinguished brother apparently considers himself the "Last of the Mohicans." Ho says, in part—

The present report is the twentieth of its kind which we have prepared for the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin. * * * When we first commenced the task we did so in fear and trembling, realizing our own limitations. There were giants in those days, engaged in like work: Robbins of Illinois; Drummond of Maine; Hedges of Montana; Vincil of Missouri; Schultz of Maryland; Diehl of Utah; Upton of Washington, and others whose names are synonyms for learning and ability. Now, alas, all are gone and as we con-

template the situation, we feel like one who treads some banquet hall deserted; whose lights are dead, whose guests are fled, and all but him departed.

Changing the tenor of his discourse our brother continues—

A report on correspondence must be, necessarily, very much like a table prepared for a banquet. It must provide viands suited to the various tastes of the different guests that shall partake. There must be, necessarily, a soup course, which is usually considered very thin and devoid of nourishment. * * * Then there must be substantials of life, with a few of the dainties thrown in. We hope that all our readers may find something to their taste. * * *

Illinois for 1916 receives favorable notice in a review covering four pages. The showing in the printed proceedings that the grand lodge was opened in *Ample Form* by the deputy grand master, is challenged by the brother. He says—

Whenever the grand lodge is opened by the deputy grand master, the proper record is that it was opened in *due form,* etc. * * *

In the mind of this writer the question presented is an open one. From one authority we learn that—

When the grand master is present at the opening or closing of the grand lodge, it is said to be opened or closed *in ample form.*

The same author, elsewhere, appears to support the views of Brother Jenks. The record shows that the grand master read his report immediately following the opening, and the statement that he was present would surely have been superfluous, and there is about Isaac Cutter nothing in the way of superfluity except his physical corporosity. If he became mixed in stating that the grand lodge was opened in "*ample form*" the authorities are likewise mixed. Brother Joseph W. Eggleston, correspondent for Virginia, is pretty good authority, and he says of this incident—

It was stated that the deputy grand master opened the grand lodge in *ample form,* which showed that the grand master was present, etc. * * *

Our brother notices the matter of the Eldorado Lodge No. 730 vs. * * * as reported by the grand master, (page 15 proceedings,) and as to the action of the grand master setting aside the verdict of the lodge says—

In this we think the grand master usurped functions and prerogatives not pertaining to his exalted station. The grand lodge alone has power to reverse the action of a lodge, etc. * * *

It is suggested to our brother that No. 57 of our code provides, *inter alia,* that—

The grand master has the power; * * * To exercise the executive functions of the grand lodge when not in session.

Possibly our brother thinks the terms of this section were somewhat *stretched* in this case, but it is to be observed that the grand master took counsel before acting and that on report of the Committee on Appeals and

Grievances, his view of the matter was sustained by the grand lodge. He notes what is in the grandmaster's report stated concerning the study side of Masonry, and the "legally dead." He notices what is said concerning the Washington Memorial and the report of the deputy grand master thereon. He notices what is in the report said concerning the home, and is apparently impressed by the cost of our barn, saying—

The vice of masonic homes seems to be that of running to too great extravagance in the way of buildings, and a fifteen thousand dollar barn for a four hundred acre farm would ordinarily be considered "going some."

He takes note of what is in the address said concerning "Political Discussion," and observes that—

In forty years spent among lodges of the state we have never known of an instance of this kind.

He was impressed by the presentation of Brother Monroe C. Crawford to grand lodge as the dean of past grand masters, and quotes from Brother L. A. Goddard's speech presenting him. He reports our efforts at legislation penalizing the use of the term "Masonic" for mercenary purposes and making it a felony to accept the petitions for membership of liquor dealers.

He notices the performance of this writer, in the review, and is pleased to say—

His labor will meet with a fair measure of commendation and deserves it. We miss, however, the freedom of expression which characterized the writings of Bro. Joseph Robbins and Bro. Owen Scott.

The next Annual will be held at Milwaukee, June 11, 1918.

Brother WILLARD S. GRISWOLD, Grand Master, Waukesha; Brother WILLIAM W. PERRY, Grand Secretary, Milwaukee.

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## WYOMING—1916

34 LODGES 42ND ANNUAL 3,518 MEMBERS

A full page photograph of the grand master, Brother Herbert J. King, is on the fly-leaf of the proceedings of this grand lodge, and the annual meeting appears to have been held at Sheridan commencing September 13, 1916.

The grand lodge was opened and presided over by Brother W. H. Dickinson, grand master, all the other grand lodge officers being in their several places except the grand chaplain and senior grand deacon, the latter being absent on account of sickness.

Ten past grand masters graced the occasion by their presence, but no mention of the diplomatic circle is made in the proceedings.

A short, but felicitous, address of welcome was delivered by Brother Frank H. Fraser, on behalf of the resident Masons, and was responded to in behalf of the grand lodge by Brother David J. Howell.

The grand master's address is quite short, filling barely five pages, but gives a fair account of his official activities during the year.

He reported the official visitation of twenty-eight out of the thirty-four lodges under his obedience, and when it is remembered that the area of Wyoming is almost twice that of Illinois, we are able to appreciate the fact that this required some travel and some time.

Under the topic, "Card Index System," the grand master reported—

Some progress has been made by the grand secretary with the card index system, the great difficulty being to secure data from subordinate territories.

Elsewhere, he says—

An examination of the records of the subordinate lodges in many instances shows incomplete information, and a special effort on the part of the secretaries is needed to prepare information for the use of the grand secretary for card index system.

Under the topic, "Work,' the grand master reported—

All lodges are conferring degrees in a highly satisfactory manner—the candidates are impressed with the lectures, lessons are taught—yet each lodge holding strictly to essentials, differ in details. To the affiliates, bringing from other jurisdictions different work, is this largely responsible.

Under the head of "Suggestions for New Legislation," the grand master said—

The grand lodge has prescribed Sickles 'Monitor' for use in our lodges. This monitor contains many pages of useless and irregular work, and some steps should be taken to secure a monitor, adapted to our work, etc. * * *

Our "Tony" could settle their monitorial problems in about forty minutes, if we could only spare him;—maybe we can—next year.

During the session a resolution was presented, authorizing the appointment of a committee to select a monitor, which being referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, it was recommended by this committee that it be referred to the committee on Revision of the Code. This was concurred in by the grand lodge and the matter goes over to the next annual session.

Under the same head the grand master suggested the repeal of the law requiring dispensation to enable lodges to attend church, memorial exercises, etc., the repeal of the law requiring the grand secretary to include in the printed proceedings the roll of membrs of lodges; the enactment of a law prohibiting the use of cipher rituals; the enactment of

laws covering "Standing Resolutions"; and providing for an appropriation to cover traveling expenses of the grand masters.

None of these appear to have borne fruit, but inasmuch as the further suggestion of the grand master, that a Committee on Revision of the Code be appointed, was agreed to by the grand lodge, it was doubtless deemed that this Commitee on Revision had ample power to consider all these matters, and make suitable disposition of each of them, in presenting its report.

The grand master reported four decisions, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the grand lodge. The first related to physical qualifications of candidates, which he decided right; the second to the matter of undue publicity, which he not only decided right, but most righteously; in the third he decided that the age of a demit does not affect its validity; and in the fourth he decided correctly, (perhaps) that a resolution requiring an examination in the catechism of the third degree, but which provided no penalty for the breach thereof, could not be enforced.

The report of the grand secretary shows the collection during the year of the sum of $5,760.21, of which the sum of $3,918.00 was dues, from constituent lodges. The same report shows a net gain in membership during the year of 202. The grand secretary has his reports in methodical shape, and gets up the book of proceedings in attractive and fine shape—if, only he would furnish an index. But there is no sign of an index, and some of us who must read his proceedings are getting old.

Brother Herbert J. King was elected grand master, and Brother Joseph M. Lowndes was re-elected grand secretary.

Following the installation, a past grand master's jewel was presented to the retiring grand master, Brother William H. Dickinson.

The following resolution was adopted, and is given without further comment than merely to observe that it may be entirely innocent, but this writer believes that it should be regarded with suspicion—

Resolved, that the Grand Lodge of Wyoming extend to the officers and members of Sheridan Lodge No. 8 A. F. & A. M. and to Naomi Chapter No. 2, O. E. S. its heartfelt thanks for, and appreciation of, their efforts to make this forty-second communication so successful and pleasant, etc. * * *

Of course, it is that part of the resolution which includes the "Oriental Twinklers" that is to be regarded with suspicion.

There is a report on foreign correspondence, consisting of 150 pages, by Brother Joseph M. Lowndes, grand secretary, which gives a very fair account of the state of Masonry, generally. Illinois, for 1915, is

courteously and fraternally reviewed, by the brother who devotes to our proceedings three pages of his report. He quotes extensively from Brother Burnap's annual report. He mentions in particular what is said concerning the gift of two hundred acres of land, tendered through Brother Turnbull; concerning the man who sought relief from the undesirable attentions of the lady, supposed to be a member of the Order of the Eastern Star; the man who invoked the aid of the grand master in the collection of a debt; the wife who demanded the summary expulsion of her husband, and the man who desired to be made a mason "At sight," offering to pay the usual fee.

He mentions the proposed amendment to our by-laws, prohibiting the use of the term "Masonic" for business purposes, and says—

This looks like good legislation and ought to pass.

Of the review, he says—

The report on correspondence is by Brother Owen Scott, and is a well written report.

Continuing, he says—

No, Brother Scott, this R. J. Daley is not your "Bob," but is a cousin of his, and if "Bob" is as good a man as our "Dick" he is some individual.

Without intruding into this controversy between Brethren Scott and Lowndes it may be observed that our R. J. Daley *is some individual,* and several different sorts of an individual.

The next annual meeting will be held in Cheyenne, on the second Wednesday in September, 1917.

Brother Herbert J. King, Grand Master, Laramie; Brother Joseph M. Lowndes, Grand Secretary, Lander.

## MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS.

The following table of membership for the United States and Canada is taken from the report of Brother Elmer F. Gay, Committee on Correspondence for the Grand Lodge of Indiana, to whom grateful acknowledgements are hereby tendered.

### UNITED STATES MEMBERSHIP TABLE.

| *Standing.* | *Jurisdiction.* | *Year.* | *Lodges.* | *Members.* | *Gain.* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 20 | Alabama | 1916 | 557 | 28,596 | 680 |
| 47 | Arizona | 1916 | 24 | 2,668 | 103 |
| 27 | Arkansas | 1916 | 569 | 21,436 | 670 |
| 11 | California | 1916 | 377 | 52,856 | 2,515 |
| 30 | Colorado | 1916 | 127 | 18,175 | 753 |
| 1-23 | Connecticut | 1915 | 110 | 25,378 | .... |
| 2-45 | Delaware | 1915 | 22 | 3,541 | .... |
| 3-39 | Dist. of Columbia | 1915 | 30 | 10,171 | .... |
| 36 | Florida | 1917 | 243 | 1,334 | 640 |
| 14 | Georgia | 1916 | 661 | 42,749 | 1,252 |
| 43 | Idaho | 1916 | 63 | 4,811 | 222 |
| 2 | Illinois | 1916 | 847 | 148,055 | 8,748 |
| 6 | Indiana | 1917 | 560 | 77,847 | 4,100 |
| 10 | Iowa | 1916 | 522 | 53,969 | 2,184 |
| 12 | Kansas | 1917 | 416 | 45,614 | 1,622 |
| 13 | Kentucky | 1916 | 593 | 44,437 | 1,050 |
| 32 | Louisiana | 1916 | 223 | 17,768 | 883 |
| 18 | Maine | 1916 | 205 | 31,328 | 444 |
| 31 | Maryland | 1916 | 116 | 17,800 | 665 |
| 4- 7 | Massachusetts | 1915 | 249 | 70,254 | 2,353 |
| 5 | Michigan | 1916 | 436 | 82,551 | 3,694 |
| 16 | Minnesota | 1916 | 260 | 31,903 | 1,461 |
| 28 | Mississippi | 1916 | 376 | 20,334 | 261 |
| 9 | Missouri | 1916 | 639 | 66,853 | 2,887 |
| 41 | Montana | 1916 | 95 | 9,880 | 95 |
| 25 | Nebraska | 1916 | 267 | 23,664 | 1,359 |
| 49 | Nevada | 1916 | 33 | 1,977 | 2 |
| 38 | New Hampshire | 1916 | 80 | 11,058 | 148 |
| 15 | New Jersey | 1916 | 196 | 42,257 | 1,688 |
| 44 | New Mexico | 1916 | 45 | 3,737 | 173 |
| 1 | New York | 1916 | 852 | 197,423 | 4,960 |
| 5-24 | North Carolina | 1915 | 436 | 25,030 | 1,061 |
| 40 | North Dakota | 1916 | 109 | 10,055 | 462 |
| 4 | Ohio | 1916 | 541 | 107,039 | 5,854 |
| 21 | Oklahoma | 1916 | 440 | 28,130 | 988 |
| 34 | Oregon | 1916 | 143 | 14,779 | 564 |
| 6- 3 | Pennsylvania | 1915 | 492 | 115,505 | .... |
| 50 | Philippine Islands | 1916 | 5 | 701 | 119 |
| 42 | Rhode Island | 1916 | 37 | 9,466 | 272 |
| 33 | S. Carolina | 1916 | 262 | 16,712 | 438 |
| 37 | S. Dakota | 1916 | 142 | 11,709 | 546 |
| 19 | Tennessee | 1917 | 456 | 29,238 | 958 |
| 8 | Texas | 1916 | 892 | 68,324 | 2,515 |
| 48 | Utah | 1916 | 18 | 2,473 | 118 |

| *Standing.* | *Jurisdiction.* | *Year.* | *Lodges.* | *Members.* | *Gain.* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 35 | Vermont | 1916 | 103 | 14,241 | 186 |
| 22 | Virginia | 1916 | 322 | 25,531 | 797 |
| 26 | Washington | 1916 | 196 | 21,698 | 974 |
| 29 | W. Virginia | 1916 | 150 | 19,693 | 865 |
| 17 | Wisconsin | 1916 | 274 | 31,866 | 1,315 |
| 46 | Wyoming | 1916 | 34 | 3,518 | 202 |
| | Total number of Lodges | | 14,845 | | |
| | Total number of members | | | 1,778,132 | |
| | Total gain | | | | 63,882 |

| | *Jurisdiction.* | *Year.* | *Addenda. Members.* | *Gain.* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Connecticut | 1917 | 26,954 | 1,576 |
| 2 | Delaware | 1916 | 3,698 | 147 |
| 3 | District of Columbia | 1916 | 10,526 | 355 |
| 4 | Massachusetts | 1916 | 72,499 | 2,245 |
| 5 | North Carolina | 1917 | 25,910 | 880 |
| 6 | Pennsylvania | 1916 | 126,680 | 11,175 |

(Note. These addenda increase the total membership to 1,794,510 and the total gain to 80,260.)

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|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | Alberta | 92 | 7,166 |
| 3 | British Columbia | 77 | 7,797 |
| 1 | Canada (Ontario) | 449 | 61,062 |
| 4 | Manitoba | 77 | 7,241 |
| 8 | New Brunswick | 39 | 3,768 |
| 7 | Nova Scotia | 74 | 6,855 |
| 9 | Prince Edward Island | 15 | 854 |
| 2 | Quebec | 65 | 8,255 |
| 6 | Saskatchewan | 122 | 7,117 |
| | Total number of Lodges | 1,010 | |
| | Total number of members | | 110,115 |

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| NO. | NAME OF LODGE. | No. Dist. | POSTOFFICE. | NAME OF SECRETARY | NAME OF MASTER. | TIME OF STATED MEETING. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 913 | Aaron | 3 | Chicago | Andrew C. Metzger. 7135 Woodlawn Ave. | Edw. Schneider 7417 St. Lawrence Av. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 185 | Abingdon | 39 | Abingdon | G. A. Hickman | Wm. Brinton | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 316 | Abraham Jonas | 47 | Loda | Frank F. Butzow | W. O. Carrington | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 518 | Abraham Lincoln | 38 | Kirkwood | Howard W. Barnes | R. D. Tinkham | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 67 | Acacia | 33 | LaSalle | Thos. Young, Jr., 919 6th St. | R. F. Cook 1221 N. Marquitte St. | First and Third Wednesdays of each month |
| 277 | Accordia | 20 | Chicago | Aug. H. Kropp. 4649 N. Robey St. | Jos. Klinge 3752 N. Hermitage Av. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 529 | Adams | 68 | Plainville | J. E. Carter | H. G. Boren | Saturday on or before each full moon |
| 749 | Akin | 95 | Thompsonville | S. P. Ingram | J. H. White | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 566 | Albany | 26 | Albany | Louis Hoobler | E. A. Fassett | Friday on or before each full moon |
| 974 | Albany Park | 15 | Chicago | Andrew J. Martin. 4713 N. Drake Ave. | F. W. Richards 4737 N. Monticello Av | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 252 | Aledo | 37 | Aledo | Wm. A. Lorimer | E. R. Petrie | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 702 | Alexandria | 38 | Alexis | I. E. Mayfield | C. W. Postlewait | Friday on or before each full moon |
| 960 | Algonquin | 22 | Algonquin | Geo. E. Bailey | H. C. Schuknecht | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 752 | Allendale | 90 | Allendale | F. J. Dorney | J. C. Robinson | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 497 | Alma | 92 | Steeleville | Thos. Robertson | F. A. Wuorowski | Third Saturday |
| 155 | Alpha | 39 | Galesburg | J. Fred Temple 136 East Main St. | Jas. S. Adams | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 748 | Alta | 49 | Alta | Dwight Jones | Edw. Matthews Dunlap, Ill. | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 533 | Altamont | 83 | Altamont | Fred Naumer | L. S. Hufford | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. |
| 902 | Alto | 31 | Steward | W. A. Foster | G. W. Kimball | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 330 | Altona | 39 | Altona | M. W. Collinson | F. C. Krans | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 840 | Alto Pass | 99 | Alto Pass | Fred L. Rendleman | Walter Martin | First Wednesday of each month |
| 889 | America | 8 | Chicago | Harry D. Davisson. 918 Tribune Bldg. | F. M. Huston 4838 Kenmow Ave. | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 142 | Ames | 34 | Sheffield | Wm. Duke | H. G. Andrews | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 472 | Amity | 29 | West Chicago | Albert H. Hills. Du Page Co. | E. V. Shatwell Du Page Co. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 261 | Amon | 58 | Dewitt | John W. Callison | L. R. Agee | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 980 | Anchor | 59 | Danville | C. W. Cofer 517 The Temple. | Charles Watkins | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 907 | Ancient Craft | 19 | Chicago | M. E. Burr 1014 First Nat. Bank Bldg. | M. A. Weinberg 1411 Harris Trust Bldg. | First and third Thursdays of each month |

| | | | | | | |
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| 520 | Anna | 99 | Anna | W. L. Wiggins | Oliver Alden | Third Tuesday of each month |
| 127 | Antioch | 21 | Milburn | Henry Patch. R.R. No. 2, Antioch, Ill. | R. E. Wendland. Lake Villa. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 676 | A. O. Fay | 21 | Highland Park | Wm. H. Thomas. Box 483, Highland Park | John Hay. Glencoe, Ill. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 642 | Apollo | 6 | Chicago | Sidney Oppenheim. 139 N. Clark St. | H. L Canmann. 6725 East End Ave. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 859 | Apple River | 25 | Apple River | Howard R. Lamont. | Leo. W. Charlton | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 717 | Arcana | 14 | Chicago | Chas. J. F. Scharf. 5802 Erie St. | C. L. Stiles. 2848 W. Polk St. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
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| 378 | Aroma | 44 | Waldron | Geo L. Hoke. Aroma Park, Ill. | L. C. Woodington. St. Anne, Ill. | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 737 | Arrowsmith | 57 | Arrowsmith | C. T. Cherry | J. J. Scott | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 825 | Arthur | 74 | Arthur | O. D. Makepeace | Geo. E. Reeder | First Monday of each month |
| 929 | Ashland | 64 | Ashland | David H. Sorrells | Walter Adkins | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 308 | Ashlar | 8 | Chicago | S. Geo. Crooks. 1341 Glenlake Ave. | C. K. Eckhart. 1300 Carroll Ave. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 390 | Ashmore | 75 | Ashmore | C. T. Comstock | W. E. Galbreath | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 531 | Ashton | 31 | Ashton | O. W. Schade | C. L. Hunter | Wednesday on or after full moon |
| 100 | Astoria | 55 | Astoria | R. E. Anderson | H. L. Schaefer | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 793 | A. T. Darrah | 39 | Victoria | E. J. Ericson | C. N. Hoeg | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 433 | Atkinson | 35 | Atkinson | M. T. Booth | L. L. Lloyd. R.F.D. No. 6, Geneseo | Friday on or before full moon |
| 165 | Atlanta | 63 | Atlanta | Benj. I. Pumpelly | P. A. Crihfield | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 651 | Atwood | 73 | Atwood | E. D. Rhodes | W. J. Flickinger | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 789 | Auburn Park | 11 | Chicago | Wm. H. Robson. 7832 Union Ave. | W. E. Fisher. 338 W 61st Place. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 254 | Aurora | 30 | Aurora | John T. Nicol. C. B. & Q. Br'k Office. | F. A. Rowley. 212 North Ave. | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 850 | Austin | 8 | Chicago | Robert B. Wilson. 217 N. Menard Ave. | Bert Salvage. 621 N. Menard Ave. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 921 | Avondale | 8 | Chicago | H. W. Kuetemeyer. 2937 N. Albany Ave. | A. H. Courtois, Jr. 2869 Lyndale St. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 253 | Avon Harmony | 51 | Avon | Geo. E. Simmons | R. W. Harrod | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 145 | A. W. Rawson | 23 | Pecatonica | A. W. Day | M. F. Howarth | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 924 | Banner Blue | 11 | Chicago | A. M. Hunter. 6618 Parnell Ave. | E. A. Grund. 4238 Langley Ave. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 572 | Bardolph | 54 | Bardolph | C. W. Duncan | J. F. Douglas | First Friday of each month |
| 34 | Barry | 68 | Barry | John K. Crawford | J. M. Taylor | Third Friday of each month |
| 618 | Basco | 53 | Basco | Chas. F. Ancelet | W. H. Damron | Monday before full moon |
| 404 | Batavia | 30 | Batavia | Willis L. Grimes | H. W. Benson. 145 Blain St. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |

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| 771 | Bay City | 98 | Hamletsburg | Isaac S. Lillie<br>Brookport, Ill. | James M. Pryor | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 1000 | Baylis | 68 | Baylis | W. W. Hooper<br>Baylis. | W. R. Wilson<br>Barry. | Wednesday night on or before full moon |
| 784 | Beacon Light | 10 | Norwood Park<br>Chicago. | Thomas Weston<br>80 W. S. Water St.,<br>Chicago. | A. A. Zatterberg<br>Norwood Park,<br>Chicago. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 665 | Beecher City | 83 | Beecher City | W. L. Smith | R. F. Maxfield | Friday on or before full moon. |
| 909 | Bee Hive | 2 | Chicago. | Morris G. Boas<br>5914 S. Park Ave. | Jos. A. Berkman<br>5248 Calumet Ave. | First and third Wednesdays of each month. |
| 696 | Belle Rive | 91 | Belle Rive | J. Wilkey | Isaac D. Hampton | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 822 | Belknap | 100 | Belknap | Wm. Thomson | C. C. Fain | Thursday on or before each full moon |
| 911 | Bellflower | 58 | Bellflower | G. H. Flint | J. M. Jordon | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 60 | Belvidere | 23 | Belvidere | E. B. Roberts | W. S. Brown, Jr. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 365 | Bement | 61 | Bement | C. O. Houk | A. L. Hawver | Saturday on or before full moon. |
| 52 | Benevolent | 67 | Meredosia | Edward Streuter | W. G. Burrns | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 962 | Ben Franklin | 8 | Chicago | Myron P. Graham<br>5018 N. Ashland Ave. | F. McCague<br>4207 N. Spaulding Av. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 818 | Ben Hur | 19 | Chicago | E. H. Warren<br>4102 Kenmore Ave. | L. F. Hintz<br>1842N. WashtenawAv | Thursday evening of each week |
| 297 | Benjamin | 52 | Camp Point | G. W. Cyrus | Harry C. Cannon | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 64 | Benton | 95 | Benton | Henry Hudson | S. L. Kell | First and third Mondays of each month. |
| 839 | Berwyn | 4 | Berwyn | Wm. F. Struckmann<br>3421 Oak Park Ave. | Geo. Collins<br>6838 34th St. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 406 | Bethalto | 79 | Bethalto | Dan A. Althoff | J. R. Elliott | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 884 | Bethany | 75 | Bethany | Walter Roney | Kent Williamson | First Thursday of each month |
| 1012 | Birchwood | 9 | | | | |
| 359 | Blackberry | 29 | Elburn | C. E. Morrill | J. R. Anderson | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 238 | Black Hawk | 53 | Hamilton | G. S. Reese | E. G. White | Second Friday |
| 393 | Blair | 12 | Chicago | E. F. Ballard<br>5434 Winthrop Ave. | Albert G. French<br>5861 Magnolia ave. | First, third, and fifth Wednesdays of each month |
| 233 | Blandinsville | 51 | Blandinsville | J. L. Griggs | R. T. Fuller | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 271 | Blaney | 7 | Chicago | A. F. Andresen<br>1223 Winona Ave. | C. A. Dean<br>14 E. Jackson Blvd. | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 458 | Blazing Star | 97 | Carriers Mills | Robt. J. Sneed.<br>Lock Box 681. | Geo. B. Dodds | First and third Fridays |
| 148 | Bloomfield | 73 | Chrisman | W. G. Skinner | John H. Owens | Sat. on or before full moon and 2 weeks thereaf. |
| 43 | Bloomington | 57 | Bloomington | Nimrod Mace | F. H. Petrie | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 682 | Blue Mound | 72 | Blue Mound | R. R. McClure | Wm. H. Bean | Second Tuesday |
| 647 | Blueville | 72 | Edinburg | Geo. A. Wacker | W. O. Williams<br>R.R. No. 49, Pawnee | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 846 | Bluffs | 67 | Bluffs | H. D. Killpatrick | E. S. Arundel | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 1 | Bodley | 52 | Quincy | Erde W. Beatty<br>Court House | R. M. Oakley<br>Herald Square. | First and third Mondays of each month |

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| 943 | Bohemia | 17 | Chicago | Frank Vavrock, 4009 W. 26th St. | Otto Polanek, 3514 W. 23rd St. | Every Friday |
| 882 | Boulevard | 5 | Chicago | O.D. Olson, Ro'm 1127-30 N. LaSalle St. | J. M. McTaggart, 3732 W. 61st St. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 486 | Bowen | 53 | Bowen | C. M. Smith | J. R. Veach | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 857 | Boyd D. | 28 | Kirkland | H. L Booth | David Kyles | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 514 | Bradford | 40 | Bradford | Chas. Moody R. F. D. | O. C. Boyd | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 704 | Braidwood | 45 | Braidwood | A. D. Howat | Marion Morris | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 386 | Bridgeport | 90 | Bridgeport | E. H. Atkins | C. R. Umfleet | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 854 | Brighton Park | 10 | Chicago | W. E. Felt, 4702 W. Congress St. | F. F. Tuverson, 6319 S. Mozart St. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 791 | Broadlands | 73 | Broadlands | J. J. Douthit | Andrew S. Maxwell | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 451 | Bromwell | 76 | Assumption | Ernest E. Lloyd | O. D. Hedrick | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 282 | Brooklyn | 32 | Compton | John S. Archer | Chas. Bradshaw | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 986 | Brotherhood | 6 | Chicago | W. A. Pittsford, 20 N. Waller Ave. | J. F. Rowley, 5709 Kenmore Ave. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 963 | Broughton | 91 | Broughton | H. M. Carlisle | I. I. Hall | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 634 | Buckley | 47 | Buckley | H. C. West | D. D. Reed | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 399 | Buda | 34 | Buda | James Suggitt | L. H. Scott | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 945 | Buffalo | 65 | Buffalo | G. C. Edwards | Elmer Eliott | First Monday of each month |
| 679 | Buffalo Prairie | 36 | Buffalo Prairie | Chas. F. Krueger, R. No. 7, Box 53, Muscatine, Ia. | F. S. Venable Reynolds. | Saturday before full moon |
| 151 | Bunker Hill | 77 | Bunker Hill | Geo. H. Baker | John Thyer | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 683 | Burnside | 51 | Burnside | R. H. Wilson | S. S. Carlisle | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 668 | Burnt Prairie | 89 | Burnt Prairie | S. W. Cash | E. R. Martin | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 274 | Byron | 28 | Byron | L. J. Stukenberg | Geo. F. Bunn | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 237 | Cairo | 100 | Cairo | J. Heid Court House. | S. G. Richardson 727 24th St. | Second Monday of each month |
| 47 | Caledonia | 100 | Pulaski | T. T. Turner | Chas. W. Curry | Second and fourth Mondays |
| 792 | Calhoun | 78 | Hardin | Cecil Manker | W. L. Mottaz | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 716 | Calumet | 13 | Blue Island | D. W. Longacre 479 Greenwood Ave. | H. E. Eames 561 Greenwood Ave. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 440 | Camargo | 73 | Camargo | A. T. Wiley | Fred Ebel | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 49 | Cambridge | 36 | Cambridge | Oscar E. Sanquist | O. O. Krans | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 648 | Camden | 54 | Camden | Roy J. Thurman, Mt. Sterling. | E. Cady, Jr. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 927 | Candida | 13 | Chicago | Jas. F. Richmond, 3323 Hirsch St. | Geo. W. Talmage, 528 E. 34th St. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 575 | Capron | 22 | Capron | F. D. Cornwell | D. O. Candry | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. |
| 904 | Carlock | 65 | Mechanicsburg | H. R. Riddle | J. F. Hall | Thursday on or before full moon. |
| 732 | Carman | 38 | Carman | G. W. Howell | A. C. Babcock | Saturday on or before full moon. |
| 272 | Carmi | 89 | Carmi | Mark H. Blasker | D. H. Boyer | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 900 | Carnation | 17 | Chicago | Fred P. Sherman, 4846 St. Lawrence Ave. | W. G. Jones, 513 E. 44th St. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 50 | Carrollton | 78 | Carrollton | A. H. Johnson | P. A. Daum | First Monday of each month |
| 442 | Casey | 82 | Casey | B. B. Sturdevant | G. W. Bell | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 23 | Cass | 55 | Beardstown | Walter F. Thron, 109½ State St. | B. C. Holbrook, 101 State St. | First and third Mondays of each month |

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| 285 | Catlin | 59 | Catlin | D. V. Stansbury | Edward Jones, Jr. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. |
| 444 | Cave in Rock | 97 | Cave in Rock | Eddie E. Frayser | Robert M. Frayser | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month. |
| 124 | Cedar | 43 | Morris | R. R Doherty | Philip H. Kohl | First and third Tuesdays of each month. |
| 747 | Centennial | 60 | Philo | F. C. Amsden | R. L Jessee | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. |
| 71 | Central | 65 | Springfield | Chas. F. Haendle, 1401 N. Fifth St. | Geo. Dellert, 1420 W. Edwards St | Second Monday of each month. |
| 201 | Centralia | 86 | Centralia | D. B. Robertson, 115 N. Locust St. | D. S. Wallis, 119 N. Cherry St. | First and third Fridays of each month. |
| 600 | Cerro Gordo | 61 | Cerro Gordo | Paul M. Dobson | D. A Troxel | Friday on or before full moon. |
| 867 | Chadwick | 27 | Chadwick | John O. Kerch | Harry L. Carbaugh | First and third Mondays of each month. |
| 373 | Chambersburg | 67 | Chambersburg | H. V. Irving | L. M. Metz | Saturday on or before full moon. |
| 724 | Chandlerville | 66 | Chandlerville | W. D. Leeper | J. W. Lynn, Oakford, Ill. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month. |
| 262 | Channahon | 43 | Channahon | C. R. Hulbert | Albert Tabler | Monday on or before full moon. |
| 719 | Chapel Hill | 98 | Wolf Creek | Geo. M. Grimes, R.R. No.2, Makanda, Ill. | I. W. Lentz | Saturday on or after full moon. |
| 838 | Charity | 37 | Seaton | W. D. Holmes | J. K. Pollock | Wednesday on or before full moon. |
| 35 | Charleston | 75 | Charleston | Thos. T. Shoemaker | Fred W. Todd | First and third Tuesdays of each month. |
| 236 | Charter Oak | 72 | Litchfield | Harry C. Gorin | C. O. Richards | First and third Thursdays of each month. |
| 523 | Chatham | 71 | Chatham | E. J. Andrews | F. B. Whitney | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 539 | Chatsworth | 48 | Chatsworth | E. Reuhl | Wm. A. Baylor | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month. |
| 429 | Chebanse | 44 | Chebanse | Jas. W. Porch | Geo. W. Lane | Second Wednesday of each month. |
| 468 | Cheney's Grove | 57 | Saybrook | Thos. W. Nixon | Geo. Rauscher | First and third Tuesdays of each month. |
| 292 | Chenoa | 57 | Chenoa | F. H. Ballinger | D. T. Clarke | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. |
| 173 | Cherry Valley | 23 | Cherry Valley | G. A. Wemple, 403 E. 4th St. | A. C. Green | Second and fourth Fridays of each month. |
| 72 | Chester | 92 | Chester | L. Kuhetz | W. F. Sweany | First and third Saturdays of each month. |
| 445 | Chesterfield | 77 | Chesterfield | Edwin Hewitt | Geo. Pursey, Jr. | Monday on or before full moon. |
| 437 | Chicago | 16 | Chicago | S. M. Frankland, 5310 S. Park Ave. | Milton M. Markus, 2632 Lake View Ave. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month. |
| 851 | Chicago Heights. | 9 | Chicago Heights. | Otto F. Conrad, 1654 Thorn St. | Chas. C. Coble, 1613 Euclid Ave. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. |
| 955 | Cicero | 3 | Cicero | Frederick W. Smith. 2621 S. 61st St. | Chas. F. Rains, 2625 S. 61st St. | First and third Wednesdays of each month. |
| 938 | Circle | 16 | Oak Park | J. Horace Jefferson, 922 Wenonah Ave. | Henry J. Smith, 990 Marengo Ave., Forest Park, Ill. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month. |
| 965 | Cisco | 61 | Cisco | W. Reed Barnhart. | H. B. McKinney | Second Tuesday of each month. |
| 603 | Clark | 82 | Martinsville | James Porter | J. I. Brydon | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month. |
| 153 | Clay | 86 | Ashley | C. H. Brown | C. Kerstine | First and third Mondays of each month. |

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| 488 | Clay City | 94 | Clay City | Anthony Doherty | J. C. Sanders | First Saturday of each month |
| 147 | Clayton | 67 | Clayton | J. E. Hough | Fred A. Wever | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 680 | Clement | 35 | Colona | W. H. Miller | W. D. Sherrill | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 211 | Cleveland | 6 | Chicago | Wm. D. Watson 3825 Lexington St. | A. L. Woodbridge 400 W. Erie St. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 688 | Clifton | 44 | Clifton | C. B. Sill | G. M. Brock | Second Tuesday of each month |
| 19 | Clinton | 64 | Petersburg | Harry G. Balster | John F. Bonties | Third Monday of each month |
| 990 | Clover Leaf | 80 | Herrick | John H. Conrad | Roscoe T. Clark | Second Wednesday of each month |
| 466 | Cobden | 99 | Cobden | Lindorf Walker | Robert F. Wallace | First Thursday of each month |
| 906 | Coffeen | 80 | Coffeen | A. Studebaker | Wm. R. Haller | Second Friday of each month |
| 496 | Colchester | 54 | Colchester | Albert C. Larson | Fred Terrill | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 799 | Colfax | 57 | Colfax | John J. Ove | E. P. Douglas | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 712 | Collinsville | 84 | Collinsville | Frank Wm. Needle 212 N Clinton St. | R. Guy Kneedler | Second Tuesday |
| 714 | Collison | 59 | Collison | M. S. Campbell | David M. Fowler Fithian, Ill. | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 474 | Columbia | 92 | Columbia | H. N. Kunz | Charles L. Ebel | Second Friday |
| 819 | Columbian | 1 | Chicago | John E. Collings 2509 S. Ridgeway Ave. | John J. DeGroot 1901 S Lawndale Av. | Friday of each week |
| 227 | Columbus | 52 | Columbus | Chas. E. Tilton | B. Frank Thomas | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 641 | Comet | 64 | Minier | B. F. Quigg | Jas. L. Booth | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 1005 | Community | 3 | Chicago | John E. Timm 5 N. La Salle St. | Albert P Bauer 822 W. North Ave. | |
| 922 | Compass | 9 | Chicago | Oscar L. Carson 6841 Lafayette Ave. | William Light 3948 Cottage Gr've Av | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 879 | Composite | 3 | Chicago | John Henry Ferre 4942 Blackstone Ave. | Harry B. Snyder 514 E. 40th St. | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 917 | Concord | 7 | Chicago | D. W. Jones 1012 E. 42d Place | Edward P. Way 352 E. 54th St. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 783 | Constantia | 20 | Chicago | Rud Wendt 3059 Diversey Ave. | Franz Schreck 5200 Sangamon St. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 892 | Constellation | 11 | Chicago | E. A. Johnson 1928 Patterson Ave. | John Olsen 4150 N. Hermitage. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 489 | Cooper | 88 | Willow Hill | L. C. Stewart | James H. Rausdell | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 205 | Corinthian | 32 | Pawpaw | Chas. A. Tessman | Fred J. Adams | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 868 | Cornell | 41 | Cornell | S. G. Sands | F. L. Gardner | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 875 | Cornerstone | 19 | Chicago | A. J. Wallenta 505 S. Dearborn St. | Harry H. Meineke 3242 Rice St. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 808 | Cornland | 63 | Cornland | J. F. Irving | E. A. Day | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 920 | Cottonwood | 89 | Cottonwood | J. P. Holland R R. No. 1, Omaha, Ill. | Silas Mills R. R. No. 2, Omaha, Ill. | Third Saturday of each month |
| 526 | Covenant | 1 | Chicago | Paul G. Dunn 412 W. Chicago Ave. | Harry E. Gavey 206 E. 45th St. | First and third Fridays |
| 666 | Crawford | 82 | Eaton | C. E. Mitchell | U. E. R. Riegel | Saturday on or before full moon & 2 weeks later |
| 817 | Creal Springs | 96 | Creal Springs | W. Ray Hollowway | John B. Leach | First and third Tuesdays of each month |

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| 895 | Crescent | 13 | Chicago | David R. Roller, 511 W. 60th St. | Wm. H. Lundis, 6312 Eggleston Ave. | Second and fourth Wednesday of each month. |
| 320 | Creston | 31 | Creston | Thomas Joce | W. H. Dickinson | First Monday of each month |
| 763 | Crete | 44 | Crete | L. S. Cole, Steger, Ill. | J. E. Hill, Steger, Ill. | Third Saturday of each month |
| 534 | Cuba | 50 | Cuba | James J. Wood | William Penn | Monday on or before full moon |
| 987 | Cyrene | 7 | Chicago | David C. Hibbott, 7435 St. Lawr'ce Ave. | Orlando P. Tidd, 510 E. 45th St. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 188 | Cyrus | 24 | Mt. Carroll | Jacob M. Landis | Ernest G. Hanth | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 967 | Dahlgren | 91 | Dahlgren | H. E. Bartlett | D. F. Whited | Second and fourth Monday of each month |
| 235 | Dallas City | 38 | Dallas City | Wm. Prescott | Homer D. Cummings | First Friday. |
| 888 | Damascus | 7 | Chicago | Carl Theo. Johnson, 6222 Dorchester Ave. | John A. Kester, 6452 Eberhart Ave. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 742 | Danvers | 56 | Danvers | Chas. C. Lambdin | D. E. Maurer | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 556 | Dawson | 65 | Dawson | Geo. R. Mier | W. R. Constant | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 643 | D. C. Cregier | 7 | Chicago | Fred F. Handrup, 1424 N. Central Park Ave. | Christ J. Orbesen, 3725 N. Kildare Ave. | Wednesday of each week |
| 833 | Dean | 93 | Ava | Roger Walwark | John Bennett | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 310 | Dearborn | 9 | Chicago | Geo. D. Chase, 4743 Ingleside Ave. | John G. Burkland, 7941 South Aberdeen | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 144 | DeKalb | 28 | DeKalb | Geo. Fletcher, 719 So. 3rd St. | A. W. Jackson | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 812 | DeLand | 58 | DeLand | R. J. Murphy | E. R. Rinehart | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 156 | Delavan | 64 | Delavan | Arthur R. Patzer | Harry M. Wood | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 464 | Denver | 53 | Denver | F. M. Harter | C. A. Groves | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 951 | Depue | 33 | Depue | F. W. Krueger | W. L. Richardson | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 287 | DeSoto | 93 | DeSoto | Henry Zacher | S. E. Graff | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 890 | Desplaines | 9 | Des Plaines | Chas. W. Larson | C. A. Wolfram | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 84 | DeWitt | 62 | Clinton | A. E. Stone | J. Melvin Ledden | Friday on or before full moon |
| 295 | Dills | 53 | West Point | Lynn Crouch | C. E. Worrell | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 581 | Dongola | 100 | Dongola | C. A. C. Parker | Earl Karraker | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 255 | Donnellson | 80 | Donnellson | J. W. Laws | R. N. Harwood | Tuesday on or before each full moon |
| 952 | Donovan | 46 | Donovan | Edward J. Donovan | George M. Thomas | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 319 | Doric | 35 | Moline | Thos. J. Marshall, % Moline Plow Co. | Clarence W. Fiske, 2021 13th St. | First Thursday of each month |
| 361 | Douglas | 85 | Mascoutah | Robt. J. Schubkegel, Box 252. | Philip H. Postel, Jr. | First Wednesday of each month |
| 190 | Dundee | 22 | Dundee | F. M. Carr | Clarence H. Rath | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 321 | Dunlap | 26 | Morrison | A. M. Kidd | M. R. Nelson | First and third Mondays of each month |

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| 234 | DuQuoin | 93 | Duquoin | Rob't C. Eaton<br>132 E. Spring St. | O. V. Englebright | Second Tuesday of each month |
| 302 | Durand | 23 | Durand | Edw. Nelson | F. J. Lins | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 923 | East Gate | 10 | Chicago | Wm. J. McKeen<br>570 Fulton St. | John E. Day<br>7655 Langley Ave. | First and Third Thursdays of each month |
| 969 | East Moline | 35 | East Moline | Simeon E. Long<br>Mnfrs. State Bank Bldg. | Frank C. Scott | Third Friday of each month |
| 504 | East St. Louis | 84 | East St. Louis | E. S. McIntyre<br>510 Veronica Ave. | W. A. Murphy<br>1646 Cleveland Ave. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 672 | Eddyville | 96 | Eddyville | F. A. King | W. L. Reid | First Saturday of each month |
| 829 | Edgar | 73 | Hume | Wm. Yenawine | H. L. Morrow | Third Tuesday of each month |
| 901 | Edgewater | 18 | Chicago | Chas. H. Kern<br>5439 Lakewood Ave. | T. E. McCormack<br>5726 Magnolia Ave. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 484 | Edgewood | 87 | Edgewood | Samuel Ging | John C. Lieb | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 164 | Edward Dobbins | 90 | Lawrenceville | J. O. Martin | S. E. Jones | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 99 | Edwardsville | 79 | Edwardsville | Thos. M. Crossman | J. L. Vallette | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 149 | Effingham | 83 | Effingham | Mannie L. Elbow | Jas. T. Ewing | First Friday of each month |
| 633 | E. F. W. Ellis | 23 | Rockford | Geo. Southam<br>618 Market St. | A. Eastwood<br>625 N. Court St. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 388 | El Dara | 69 | El Dara | Chas. F. Frank<br>R. R. 1, New Canton | P. A. Moyer<br>Barry, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 730 | Eldorado | 97 | Eldorado | Chas. T. Wilson | T. A. Grable | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 117 | Elgin | 22 | Elgin | Thos. B. Rowlands<br>408 S. Liberty St. | A. W. Ackemann<br>52 Creighton Ave. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 276 | Elizabeth | 97 | Elizabethtown | Jno. Q. A. Ledbetter | E. F. Wall, Jr | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 903 | Elknart | 63 | Elkhart | Logan Barber<br>Elkhart. | P. J. Barton<br>Middletown, Ill. | Third Wednesday of each month |
| 941 | Elmhurst | 29 | Elmhurst | Anton E. Nelson | W. L. Block | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 246 | El Paso | 49 | El Paso | Chester F. Curtiss | M. A. Adams | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 715 | Elvaston | 53 | Elvaston | A. J. Lively | J. W. Cockran | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 919 | Elwood | 45 | Elwood | Christian Nielsen | A. F. Bush | First Thursday of each month |
| 984 | Emblem | 4 | Chicago | Chas. Blind<br>6415 Vernon Ave. | I. A. Porges<br>104 E. 51st St. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 796 | E. M. Husted | 70 | Roodhouse | W. F. Thompson | S. L. Smith | Monday on or before full moon |
| 126 | Empire | 56 | Pekin | H. P. Weyrich | C. E. Lorton | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 677 | Enfield | 89 | Enfield | W. W. Wallace | M. A. Miller | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 690 | Englewood | 10 | Chicago | Alfred Guthrie<br>6914 Wentwo'th Ave. | J. C. Huggett<br>5911 Parnell Ave. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 2 | Equality | 97 | Equality | D. W. Grimes | Jas. A. Womack | First Wednesday of each month |
| 878 | Equity | 2 | Chicago | Harry C. Kinne<br>1407 City Hall Square | E. M. Brown<br>Box 654, Brookfield, Ill. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 667 | Erie | 26 | Erie | J. A. Kelly | Paul D. Carlson | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 65 | Euclid | 30 | Naperville | C. A. Ashley | C. H. Wright | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 69 | Eureka | 36 | Milan | Robert E. Little | W. B Walters | First Friday of each month |
| 524 | Evans | 19 | Evanston | Wm. J. Bristow<br>810 Davis St. | H. F. Smith<br>645 Hinman Ave. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |

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| 414 | Evening Star | 23 | Davis | Edw. Degunther | E. R. Ditzler | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 170 | Evergreen | 24 | Freeport | E. E. Keck, 14 Washington Pl'ce | J. H. L. Penning | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 705 | Ewing | 95 | Ewing | H. Richeson | J. B. Hemphill | First Friday of each month |
| 97 | Excelsior | 24 | Freeport | Chas. C. Wolfe, 234 Exchange St. | M. G. Schaub, 190 Carroll St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 966 | Exemplar | 10 | Chicago | Frank R. Jennings, 221 Long Ave. | Wm. M. Gilson, 5742 Indiana Ave. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 424 | Exeter | 67 | Exeter | Clyde Funk, R.R. No.2, Bluffs, Ill. | H. Hubbert, Chapin, Ill. | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 206 | Fairfield | 94 | Fairfield | Samuel T. Pendleton | M. L. Calkin | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 590 | Fairmount | 59 | Fairmount | Gilbert F. Ketter | R. E. Black | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 1036 | Fair Oaks | 4 | Oak Park | Philip H. Gray, 40 N. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. | Charles F. Geise, 231 N. Lombard Ave., Oak Park, Ill. | |
| 350 | Fairview | 50 | Fairview | Jno. W. Gaddis | Geo. Prall | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 601 | Farina | 87 | Farina | J. R. Dillon | S. B. Gwin | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 710 | Farmer City | 58 | Farmer City | S. R. Mitchell | I. C. Morrical | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 232 | Farmers | 98 | Brookport | Joseph K. West | David L. Parris | Second Saturday of each month |
| 192 | Farmington | 50 | Farmington | A. A. Luckey | J. E. Wasson | Fourth Friday of each month |
| 961 | Federal | 7 | Chicago | Thos. A. Balrnson, 6026 Ingleside Ave. | H. O. Browning, 456 W. 63rd St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 89 | Fellowship | 83 | Marion | G. W. Mercer, 909 N. Market St. | R. W. Alsbrook, 1306 W. Main St. | First Tuesday of each month |
| 971 | Fernwood Park | 12 | Chicago | Smith J. Eagley, 10240 Eggleston Ave. | Chas. P. Dunbaugh, 10236 Lowe Ave. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 152 | Fidelity | 77 | Medora | Chas. W. Tietsort | R. N. Clower, Piasa, Ill. | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 842 | Fides | 6 | West Pullman, Chicago | H. F. Allen, 12022 Harvard Ave. | Peter Kramer, 11759 Wallace St. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 592 | Fieldon | 78 | Fieldon | Herbert Brown | F. L. Cope | Third Saturday of each month |
| 670 | Fillmore | 80 | Fillmore | Chas. H. Rameyn | Kent Richmond | Monday on or before full moon |
| 831 | Findlay | 76 | Findlay | Otis E. Stumpf | E. E. Earp | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 585 | Fisher | 72 | Grove City | S. W. Holben, Stonington. | R. A. Robinson, Stonington. | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 348 | Flat Rock | 88 | Flat Rock | L. P. Magill | J. A. Dyke | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 204 | Flora | 94 | Flora | A. G. Gaddis | W. E. Gray | First Wednesday of each month |
| 614 | Forrest | 48 | Forrest | Benj. Singleton | E. B. Austman | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 1003 | Fortitude | 2 | Chicago | Emil Selten, 2648 Hirsch St. | Samuel Wolf, 2429 N. Albady Ave. | |
| 567 | Frankfort | 95 | West Frankfort | Elmer Dorris | E. R. Evans | First and third Thursdays of each month |

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| 25 | Franklin | 79 | Alton | C. E. Sargent<br>2610 Walnut St. | Harry Halton<br>924 Washington Ave. | Third Saturday of each month |
| 264 | Franklin Grove | 31 | Franklin Grove | N. A. Whitney | W. L. Moore | First Tuesday of each month |
| 58 | Fraternal | 61 | Monticello | J. R. Herner | Jas. T. Vent | Second Wednesday of each month |
| 418 | Freeburg | 44 | Freeburg | Cyrus A. Whittaker | Daniel Borger | Second Saturday of each month |
| 194 | Freedom | 42 | Freedom | C. R. Lucas<br>R.R. No. 3, Sheridan. | Ed. C. Brignon<br>R. R. No. 3, Sheridan | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 872 | Free Will | 59 | Oakwood | V. E. Francis | C. F. Stanner | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 7 | Friendship | 31 | Dixon | D. S. Horton | G. Frank Coe | Second Thursday of each month |
| 341 | Full Moon | 78 | Grafton | C. J. Slaten | D. C. Slaten | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 189 | Fulton City | 26 | Fulton | Geo. Lein | E. D. Thomson | First Monday of each month |
| 684 | Galatia | 97 | Galatia | W. T. Smart | Wm. Otis Stone | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 243 | Galva | 36 | Galva | Eng. S. Sanders | O. R. Thomas | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 141 | Garden City | 3 | Chicago | Edw. L. Holmes<br>4523 Wash'gton Blvd. | H. G. Wilson<br>3320 Flournoy St. | Tuesday of each week |
| 573 | Gardner | 45 | Gardner | L. G. Horrie | Daniel Green<br>South Wilmington. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 686 | Garfield | 9 | Chicago | Chas. W. Walduck<br>3525 W. Adams St. | Geo. W. Banks<br>310 S. Mozart St. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 139 | Geneva | 29 | Geneva | Wm. M. Raftree<br>30 W. 6th St. | Geo. O. Freeman | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 288 | Genoa | 28 | Genoa | Thos. M Frazier | E. H. Crandall | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 222 | Geo. Washington | 49 | Chillicothe | A. M. Root | H V. Thomas | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 182 | Germania | 20 | Chicago | John B. Hartke<br>2844 Burling St. | J. Geo. Fiedler<br>3854 N. Robey St. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 733 | Gibson | 48 | Gibson City | P. C. McKay | R. N. Lane | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 382 | Gill | 66 | Lynnville | Earl R. Landes<br>R. F. D. No. 2,<br>Jacksonville, Ill. | E. Roy Heaton<br>R. F. D. No. 3,<br>Winchester, Ill. | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 214 | Gillespie | 77 | Gillespie | Jno. I. Brimberry | P. G. Sawyer | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 809 | Gilham | 80 | MulberryGrove | Fred E Martin | G. F. Welis | Friday on or before full moon |
| 591 | Gilman | 47 | Gilman | O. J. Bushey | W. G. Joadwine | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 908 | Gil. W. Barnard | 1 | Chicago | Robert F. Cheyne<br>7350 University Ave. | L. C. Jensen<br>615 E. 76th St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 171 | Girard | 71 | Girard | O. B. Metcalf | D. J Feeley | First Monday of each month |
| 983 | Glencoe | 3 | Glencoe | W. S. Crozier<br>601 Glenwood Ave. | H. W. Stannard<br>115 Mary St.,<br>Hubbard Woods. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 950 | Glen Ellyn | 29 | Glenellyn | John Le Messurier | W. P. Conyers | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 131 | Golconda | 96 | Golconda | Sam'l L. Morse | Oscar Weil | Second Monday of each month |
| 248 | Golden Gate | 51 | Prairie City | D. E. Wittenmeyer | C. F. Everly | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 726 | Golden Rule | 15 | Chicago | Adna J. Cornell<br>30 N. La Salle St. | Chas A. Koepke<br>Room 903 Schiller<br>Bldg. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 617 | Good Hope | 51 | Good Hope | J. M. James | J. C. Strausbaugh | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 744 | Goode | 93 | Valier | W. A. Sample<br>R.R. No.4. Benton Ill. | O. H. Lewis<br>Christopher, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 473 | Gordon | 84 | Pocahontas | D. R. Wilkins | Homer Dodson | First and third Fridays |
| 852 | Gothic | 84 | East St. Louis | Wm. K. Henderson<br>Scottish Rite T'mple | Wm. C. Rogers<br>14th St. and<br>St. Claire Ave. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 660 | Grand Chain | 100 | Grand Chain | C. G. McIntire | George N. Boyd | Monday on or before full moon |

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| 776 | Grand Crossing | 6 | Chicago | E. L. Eckersall, 7245 Champlain Ave. | L. K. Dalrymple, 5854 Prairie Ave. | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 877 | Granite City | 84 | Granite City | John W. Costley, 2028 C St. | Elmo W. Cooley, 2104 Wash'gton Ave. | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 928 | Grant Park | 44 | Grant Park | C. A. Newton | W. C. Unrah | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 129 | Greenfield | 77 | Greenfield | Hugh A Shields | M. B. Metcalf | Friday on or before full moon |
| 125 | Greenup | 81 | Greenup | W. W. Rothrock | O. H. Shiels | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 653 | Greenview | 64 | Greenview | John H. Stone | Guy L. Swiney | First Tuesday of each month |
| 245 | Greenville | 84 | Greenville | Clark K. Denny, 337 N. 3rd St. | James F. Johnston | First Wednesday of each month |
| 45 | Griggsville | 68 | Griggsville | John S. Felmley | Fred A. Stone | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 824 | Grove | 30 | Downers Grove | Fred E. Dowe | Henry E. Tank | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 352 | Groveland | 56 | Morton | Levi Mosiman | Jacob Grieder | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 778 | Gurney | 96 | Allen Springs | Rolla Nelson, Grantsburg, Ill. | John N. Ruble, R.R. 2, Grantsburg, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 443 | Hampshire | 28 | Hampshire | C. H. Klick | H. E. McDonough | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 20 | Hancock | 53 | Carthage | Wm. H. Bartels | Louis C. Corson | Second Monday of each month |
| 905 | Hanover | 25 | Hanover | John J. Miller | James N. Speer | Second Friday of each month |
| 731 | Harbor | 16 | Chicago | Frank J. Winzeler, 3057 E. 91st St. | Fred A. Ruskowsky, 2057 E. 75th St. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 44 | Hardin | 67 | Mt. Sterling | H. A. Perry | D. R. Peters | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 756 | Hardinville | 88 | Hardinville | I. G. Pringle | G. L. Heck | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 3 | Harmony | 66 | Jacksonville | John R. Phillips, 331 W. College St. | Richard J. Farris | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 325 | Harrisburg | 97 | Harrisburg | J. W. Richardson | L. McCormack, Dorrisville, Ill. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 309 | Harvard | 22 | Harvard | Hugh H. Megran, 103 W. Diggins St. | Wm. Albert Mueller | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 832 | Harvey | 2 | Harvey | John J. Gard, 153 155th St. | Wm. R. Brandt | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 88 | Havana | 55 | Havana | Adolph Schill | Charles E. Walsh | First Monday of each month |
| 580 | Hazel Dell | 82 | Hazel Dell | J. G. Sample | John Gore | First and third Tuesdays of each month. |
| 604 | Hebron | 21 | Hebron | W. M. Millar | Chas. W. Bailey | Second and fourth Mondays |
| 820 | Henderson | 62 | Kenney | J. Aughenbaugh | Chas. T. McLean, Hallsville, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 119 | Henry | 40 | Henry | Frank Johnson | W. E. King | First and second Tuesdays of each month |
| 669 | Herder | 20 | Chicago | Gustav K. Schaetz, 18 N. Lorel Ave. | Hugo Wm. Secker, 1915 W. Harrison St. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 39 | Herman | 52 | Quincy | P. J. Schlagenhauf, Stern Bldg. | Wm. Geo. Bunte, 1433 Ohio St. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 356 | Hermitage | 90 | Albion | W. H. Siefferman | Ben R. Mayne | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 193 | Herrick | 38 | Pontoosuc | James Lamb | Wm. H. Jones, Niota, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 693 | Herrin's Prairie | 95 | Herrin | Horace Barnhill | Joe Pope Benson | First and third Thursdays of each month |

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| 411 | Hesperia | 14 | Chicago | Gerry R. Walker<br>6637 Normal Bvd. | Wm. Watts Fillagar<br>3212 Fullerton Ave. | Thursday of each week |
| 251 | Heyworth | 62 | Heyworth | Albion C. Lake | E. Harrold Brown | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 249 | Hibbard | 77 | Brighton | Thos. A. Jones<br>Brighton, Ill. | W. I. Gillam<br>Brighton, Ill. | Second Monday of each month |
| 583 | Highland | 84 | Highland | Louis J. Appel | Henry T. Jost | First Thursday of each month |
| 301 | Hinckley | 30 | Hinckley | A. F. Prince | A. R. Dewey | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 837 | Hindsboro | 74 | Hindsboro | C. L. Watson | James J. Dickson | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 934 | Hinsdale | 30 | Hinsdale | Arnold Thies<br>283 Third St. | Kent C. Childs<br>235 S. Garfield St. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 1009 | Hiram | 7 | Chicago | Edward A. Fitcomb<br>171 N. Lockwood Ave. | Henry M. Witt<br>7346 Harvard Ave. | |
| 508 | Home | 18 | Chicago | Henry H. Blake<br>3845 Ellis Ave. | Walter R. Blake<br>Lombard, Ill. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 199 | Homer | 60 | Homer | F. M. Conkey | Charles D. Brown | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 1010 | Honor | 8 | Chicago | O. S. Whitmore<br>3244 W. Huron St. | Albert J. Dew<br>816 N. Robey St. | |
| 886 | Hooppole | 26 | Hooppole | James H. Walter | Ray H. Petty | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 162 | Hope | 92 | Sparta | Robert J. McAllister | William S. Wallace | Second Friday of each month |
| 622 | Hopedale | 64 | Hopedale | Wm. E. Raab | Joseph Crawford | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 363 | Horeb | 50 | Elmwood | Harry L. Kelly | Harry J. McCabe | Second and fourth Wednesday of each month |
| 244 | Horicon | 31 | Rochelle | O. C. Griffen | W. D. Pickle | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 910 | Hull | 68 | Hull | Lewis Weir | E. L. Lawrence | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 555 | Humboldt | 42 | Ottawa | R. A. Nickerson<br>404 2nd Ave. | Lester Wm. Leipold<br>613 La Salle St. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 813 | Humboldt Park | 17 | Chicago | Chas. H. Witbeck<br>3847 N. Keystone Ave. | Earl G. Beard<br>2038 Iowa St. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 465 | Huntsville | 54 | Huntsville | Troy P. Bilderback<br>Augusta, Ill. | C. E. Bilderback<br>Augusta, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 1004 | Hurst | | Hurst | T. P. Russell | R. E. Edmonds | |
| 136 | Hutsonville | 82 | Hutsonville | L. R. Lindsay | A. C. Lindley | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 698 | Hutton | 81 | Diona | H. G. Devinney<br>R. R. 1, Charleston. | Lewis E. Baughman<br>R. R. 1, Greenup, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 989 | Hyde Park | 9 | Chicago | Wm. W. Rosenthal<br>26 W. Wash'gton St. | Sol. Rosenblatt<br>25 E. Wash'gton St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 263 | Illinois | 49 | Peoria | Isaac M. Hornbacker<br>112 Woolner Bldg. | Carl W. Hulsebus<br>800 E. Nebraska St. | Fourth Tuesday of each month |
| 178 | Illinois Central | 31 | Amboy | W. L. Berryman | A. H. Meyer | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 521 | Illiopolis | 62 | Illiopolis | L. D. Barnum | Thos. O. Rule | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 327 | Industry | 54 | Industry | J. S. McCreight | O. E. Kinkade | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 997 | Integrity | 16 | Chicago | E. J. Hartwick<br>5508 Glenwood Ave. | Chas G. Hendricks<br>3047 Jackson Blvd. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 691 | Iola | 87 | Iola | Thos. W. Williams | Jonathan E. Downey | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 312 | Ionic | 61 | Decatur | R. F. Davidson<br>1155 W. Cerro Gordo | A. R. Reynolds<br>1553 N. College St. | Second Monday of each month |
| 213 | Ipava | 55 | Ipava | S. M. Kinsey | B. S. Diehl<br>Astoria, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 455 | Irving | 79 | Irving | C. L. Weisler | J. W. Crouch | First Monday of each month |
| 53 | Jackson | 76 | Shelbyville | W. S. Amlin | W. A. Baker | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 915 | Jackson Park | 5 | Chicago | J. T. Brown<br>6407 Blackst'ne Ave. | H. H. Deem<br>9828 Longwood Drive | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 570 | Jacksonville | 66 | Jacksonville | E. L. Kinney<br>197 S. Prairie St. | Carl S. Richards | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 368 | Jefferson | 91 | Opdyke | Edwin L. Miller | George W. Cole | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 460 | Jeffersonville | 94 | Jeffersonville | C. H. Armstrong | W. E. Morgan | Second and fourth Tuesdays in each month |
| 394 | Jerseyville | 78 | Jerseyville | Chas. S. Jewsbury | Harry S. Daniels | Monday on or before full moon |

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| 90 | JerusalemT'mple | 30 | Aurora | E. Homer Cooley, 74 N. View St. | Warren H. Mighell, 115 S. Lincoln Ave. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 318 | J. L. Anderson | 54 | Augusta | Geo. H. Slingerland. | Harry P. Bredette | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 278 | Jo Daviess | 25 | Warren | E. J. Wilcox | H. C. Tear | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 880 | John B. Sherman | 4 | Chicago | F. T. Rusch, 5335 Emerald Ave. | Preslie Z. Turner, 7253 S. Green St. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 944 | John Corson Smith | 18 | Chicago | Bernard Breakstone 4558 Prairie Ave. | Saul Hytowitz, 2139 W. Madison St. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 510 | John D. Moody | 86 | Iuka | Wm. M. Beaver | Chas. Dabney | Second Friday of each month |
| 1013 | John Paul Jones. | 10 | | | | |
| 713 | Johnsonville | 94 | Johnsonville | M. M. Galbraith | D. E. Hilliard | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 111 | Jonesboro | 99 | Jonesboro | Ed. Lee | Andrew J. Lyerly | First and second Tuesdays of each month |
| 706 | Joppa | 76 | Cowden | D. E. Howe | B. W. Lamb | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 930 | Joseph Robbins | 49 | Peoria | Frank Nelson, 913 Humboldt St. | Garrit MacLean, 215 Livingston. | Fourth Thursday of each month |
| 946 | Joy | 37 | Joy | John D. Carnahan | Virgil A. Love | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 537 | J. R. Gorin | 60 | Sadorus | J. B. Dillon | Jas. T. Wise | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 949 | Justice | 1 | Chicago | Andrew J. O'Donnell 2612 N. Clark St. | Joshua W. Mason 1316 N. Harding Ave. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 389 | Kankakee | 44 | Kankakee | Chas. F. Whitmore, City N. Bank Bldg. | George B. Seitz | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 280 | Kansas | 75 | Kansas | Frank S. Anderson | T. S Wright | First and third Tuesdays of eachmonth. |
| 86 | Kaskaskia | 92 | Evansville | Philip E. Sauer | Wm. M. Schuwerk | First Saturday after first quarter of each moon. |
| 36 | Kavanaugh | 25 | Elizabeth | E. A. Laign | A. J. Nichols | Second Friday of each month |
| 340 | Kedron | 72 | Mt. Auburn | W. C. Armstrong | J. M. Wiswell | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 471 | Kendall | 42 | Yorkville | Oscar C. Knudson | Louis C. Doetschman | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 430 | Kendrick | 67 | Timewell | Wm. H. McPhail | Roscoe E. Arvin | Saturday on or before full moon. |
| 947 | Kenmore | 19 | Chicago | Ira Harkwell 6224 Greenview Ave. | Perley A. Russell 6712 Bosworth Ave. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 804 | Kensington | 15 | Chicago | H. A. Wray 39 E. 107th St. | R. A. Mollenkopf 119 W. 111th Place. | Saturday of each week |
| 800 | Kenwood | 14 | Chicago | L. M. Brown 29 S. La Salle St. | Wm. A. Moulton 1610 W. 63rd St. | Monday of each week |
| 159 | Kewanee | 34 | Kewanee | F. M. Wedge | W. B. DePry | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 639 | Keystone | 5 | Chicago | G. P. Allmendinger. 440 Arlington Place | Lawrence B. Simon 1011 Ainslie St. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 311 | Kilwinning | 10 | Chicago | Norton F. Stone 641 W. Wash'gt'n Blvd | Lewis S. McCandless 2044 Waveland Ave. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 353 | Kinderhook | 68 | Kinderhook | F. A. Longnecker | Earl Bonifield Barry, Ill. | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 855 | King Oscar | 11 | Chicago | Nels. J. Johnson 1009 Conway Bldg. | Anton Johnson 719 N. Elmwood Ave, Oak Park. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |

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| 197 | King Solomon | 78 | Kane | Fred T. Witt, 8749 Elizabeth St. | W. P. Witt, 6328 Elizabeth St. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 266 | Kingston | 68 | Kingston | John G. Sykes, R. R. No. 1, Baylis | Lucius M. Morrison, R. R. No. 1, Barry. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 398 | Kinmundy | 87 | Kinmundy | E. R. Hensley | A. M. Allen | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 402 | Kishwaukee | 28 | Kingston | J. W. O'Brien | C. A. Anderson | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 896 | Kosmos | 14 | Chicago | Fred A. Frosch, 5751 Prairie Ave. | H. O. Guild, 825 E. 47th Place. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 61 | Lacon | 40 | Lacon | R. H. Maxwell | Homer Barney | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 657 | La Fayette | 99 | Grand Tower | L. M. Crow | Duff H. Cady | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 770 | La Grange | 4 | La Grange | Norton L. Rowley | Chas. A. Young | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 195 | La Harpe | 51 | La Harpe | Isaac E. Kilgore | Fred Randall | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 729 | Lake Creek | 95 | Johnston City | M. Ozment | Gordon Pillow | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 739 | Lakeside | 17 | Chicago | Joseph W. Leverenz, 3848 N. Seeley Ave. | J. F. Black, 3704 N. Hoyne Ave. | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 774 | Lake View | 5 | Chicago | Chas. A. Rohde | Oliver J. Taylor | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 659 | Lambert | 52 | Quincy | Chas. E. Lane, % G. C. B. C. | Wm. F. Sprague, % Quincy Coal Co. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 383 | La Moille | 33 | Lamoille | W. E. Eddy | Frank A. Rambo | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 935 | La Moine | 54 | Brooklyn | T. D. Lewis | M. S. Crone | Monday on or before full moon |
| 423 | Lanark | 24 | Lanark | C. E. Olmsted | R. D. Bray | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 106 | Lancaster | 56 | Glasford | Samuel Barron | Otto McElhaney | First Friday of each month |
| 422 | Landmark | 15 | Chicago | John Hosbury, 831 Bowen Ave. | Alfred L. Johnston, 6850 Perry Ave. | Friday of each week |
| 267 | La Prairie | 53 | Golden | Charles C. Hoyt | W. J. Wible | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 853 | Latham | 62 | Latham | M. M. Vaughn | Jas. H. Harris | First Saturday on or before full moon |
| 203 | Lavely | 63 | Williamsville | H. E. Conrey | Wm. Trees | First Saturday of each month |
| 815 | Lawn | 18 | Chicago | J. R. Hayden, 3529 W. 60th Place | Peter Dahlen, 3412 W. 66th St. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 995 | Lawndale | 14 | Chicago | Jos. Z. Klenha, 5104 W. 23rd Place, Cicero, Ill. | Jos. Thos. Mlnarik, 2312 S. Clifton Park Ave. | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 415 | Lawn Ridge | 40 | Speer | H. C. Merrill | Grant Burdick | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 110 | Lebanon | 85 | Lebanon | Jesse B. Sager | Frank R. Miller | Second Tuesday of each month |
| 146 | Lee Center | 31 | Lee Center | A. Aschenbrenner, R. R. No. 2, Amboy | E. F. Buckman, Amboy, Ill. | Friday on or before full moon |
| 558 | Leland | 32 | Leland | Wm. Julian | A. J. Legner, Leland, Ill. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 174 | Lena | 24 | Lena | Geo. A. Boeke | J. F. Diestelmeier | First Wednesday of each month |
| 788 | Lerna | 81 | Lerna | W. L. Funkhouser | G. B. Merrick | Third Saturday of each month |
| 221 | LeRoy | 58 | LeRoy | Irwin W. Kinsey | C. A. Skillman | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 557 | Lessing | 20 | Chicago | Alex. Lampe, 2900 N. Racine Ave. | J. R. Hardtmann, 2849 N. Halsted St. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 270 | Levi Lusk | 33 | Arlington | Samuel P. Prescott | J. E. Larkin | Third Wednesday of each month |
| 104 | Lewistown | 55 | Lewistown | Walter B. Gillam | Samuel L. Oren | Second Friday of each month |
| 482 | Lexington | 57 | Lexington | Chas. S. Lawrence | Geo. W. Bishop | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 993 | Leyden | 12 | Franklin Park | A. G. Boesenberg, Mannheim, Ill. | Bellet Lawson, Jr., River Grove, Ill. | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 380 | Liberty | 52 | Liberty | W. E. Mercer | Ralph W. Roe | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 492 | Libertyville | 21 | Libertyville | Chas. F. Smale, Jr. | George Sturn, Jr. | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 135 | Lima | 52 | Lima | J. W. Jacobs | J. M. Hunter | Wednesday on or before full moon |

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| 611 | Lincoln Park | 4 | Chicago | Claude L. Griggs, 3642 Maple Square Ave. | A. A. Wachs, 152 Dayton St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 517 | Litchfield | 72 | Litchfield | F. C. Blackwelder, 120 W. Ryder St. | A. P. Pugh | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 766 | Littleton | 54 | Littleton | C. O. Snyder | L. L. Horney | Saturday on or before full moon and 2 wks later |
| 371 | Livingston | 45 | Dwight | Frank W. Ford | Carl A. Erickson | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 450 | Loami | 71 | Loami | Henry W. Colburn | Thomas E. Park | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 538 | Lockport | 43 | Lockport | Morris P. Johnson, Box 404. | Frank W. Donalson | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 623 | Locust | 76 | Owaneco | L. C. Honefenger | Zura F. Bates | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 210 | Logan | 63 | Lincoln | John Smith, Box 286. | Jno. G. Hill | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 891 | Logan Square | 10 | Chicago | Wm. H. Hadam, 2719 N. Whipple St. | Ralph Forster, 3913 N. Tripp Ave. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 848 | London | 50 | London Mills | J. W. Gullett | Arthur Luman | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 552 | Long Point | 41 | Long Point | J. C. Huetson | G. F. Turner | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 893 | Loraine | 52 | Loraine | Lincoln R. Nutt | C. A. Strickler | Second Wednesday of each month |
| 870 | Lostant | 41 | Lostant | Alfred H. Bell | W. Schoenneshoefer | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 196 | Louisville | 87 | Louisville | Ralph Hagle | Samuel B. Moore | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 751 | Lounsbury | 18 | Barrington | A. T. Ulitsch | W. A. Shearer | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 228 | Lovington | 74 | Lovington | Albert A. Brown | Thos. L. Conn | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 1007 | Loyal | | Chicago | John R. Verhoeff, 1314 Carman Ave. | Fred A. Munson, 4424 Greenview Ave. | |
| 750 | Lyndon | 26 | Lyndon | A. F. Riley, Box 153. | C. F. Powell | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 132 | Mackinaw | 56 | Mackinaw | G. A. Field | Roy H. Pepper | Third Tuesday of each month |
| 17 | Macomb | 54 | Macomb | Geo. B. Holmes | T. MacDowning | First Friday of each month |
| 8 | Macon | 61 | Decatur | J. W. Montgomery, 330 E. Leafland Ave. | Geo. R. Flint, 682 W. Cushing. | First Friday of each month |
| 560 | Madison | 80 | New Douglas | F. N. Johanntosettel | J. C Olive | Third Friday of each month |
| 103 | Magnolia | 33 | Magnolia | T. L. Skelton | Walker Johnston | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 220 | Mahomet | 58 | Mahomet | Martin K. Busey | John J. Hayward | Monday on or before full moon |
| 434 | Makanda | 99 | Makanda | Frank Hopkins | George Granger | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 229 | Manchester | 70 | Manchester | Chas. S. Heaton | C. D. Chapman | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 476 | Manito | 56 | Manito | R. H. Rohlfs | Harvey S. Martin | First Wednesday of each month |
| 933 | Manlius | 34 | Manlius | J. L. Martin | Adelbert L. Martin | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 773 | Mansfield | 58 | Mansfield | Duane Ross | F. A. Rock | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 942 | Maple Park | 29 | Maple Park | H. G. Gerlach | Henry S. Denton | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 964 | Maplewood | 9 | Chicago | Malcolm McCallum, 2518 N. Washtenaw Av | Wyman E. Warren, 5318 Bell Plaine Ave | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 530 | Maquon | 50 | Maquon | G. G. Shearer | J. E. Shearer | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 114 | Marcelline | 52 | Marcelline, R. R. No. 1, Ursa, Ill. | F. P. Taylor | Chas. E. Smith, R.R. No. 2, Ursa, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |

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| 138 | Marengo | 22 | Marengo | L. W. Davis<br>Box 687. | A. M. Usborn | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 355 | Marine | 84 | Marine | Louis Brandes | Lester C. May | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 130 | Marion | 86 | Salem | L. O. Vogt | O. J. McMackin | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 881 | Marissa | 92 | Marissa | H. C. Kunze | W. C. Stewart | First Friday of each month |
| 454 | Maroa | 62 | Maroa | Jas. H. Sterling | Arthur V. Bowden | First Tuesday of each month |
| 417 | Marseilles | 43 | Marseilles | B. U. Stebbins | A. A. Deane | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 133 | Marshall | 82 | Marshall | Burns D. Smith | William T. Platt, Jr. | Second Wednesday of each month |
| 491 | Martin | 25 | East Dubuque | John R. Caldwell | Ben Werner | First Thursday of each month |
| 845 | Martinton | 46 | Martinton | O. G. Mack | Samuel Pilotte | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 217 | Mason | 87 | Mason | G. C. Norris | G. B. Paugh | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 403 | Mason City | 64 | Mason City | C. D. V. McKinley | W. G. Burnsmier | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 175 | Matteson | 43 | Joliet | Frank W. Wheeler<br>410 Richards St. | Eugene E. Woods<br>310 Hunter Ave. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 260 | Mattoon | 75 | Mattoon | Samuel B. Patheal | Earl M. Brown | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 718 | May | 89 | Norris City | J. O. DeLap | Charles Wakeford | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 664 | Mayo | 83 | Winterrowd | T. J. Dunn<br>Dieterich, Ill. | John C. Clagg<br>Dieterich, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 869 | Maywood | 17 | Maywood | H. A. Tedman<br>312 N. 4th Ave. | Wm. Jedike<br>Melrose Park, Ill. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 826 | Mazon | 45 | Mazon | John B. Miller | J. F. Gardner | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 158 | McHenry | 21 | McHenry | Alford H. Pouse<br>W. McHenry, Ill. | F. E. Covalt<br>W. McHenry, Ill. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 469 | McLean | 63 | McLean | Wm. N. Ewing | John L. Withrow | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 976 | Melrose Abbey | 17 | Chicago | Charles Meldrum<br>1127 N. Karlov Ave. | Alexander McKinley<br>129 S. Honore St. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 811 | Melvin | 48 | Melvin | Geo. D. Kime | E. A. Iehl | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 449 | Mendon | 52 | Mendon | J. R. Urech | G. A. Hillier | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 176 | Mendota | 32 | Mendota | Ed. Lathrop | Clyde Schwartz | Second Tuesday of each month |
| 183 | Meridian | 32 | Earlville | E. R. Batterham | A. D. Van Ornum | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 505 | Meridian Sun | 28 | Holcomb | F. E. Sheaff | C. E. Oakes | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 283 | Meteor | 32 | Sandwich | C. L. Stinson | W. Frank Murray | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 91 | Metropolis | 98 | Metropolis | E. G. Whyers, Jr. | C. C. Frazine | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 860 | Metropolitan | 12 | Chicago | Luke Nettleton<br>812 S. Karlov Ave. | Leslie E. Cotton<br>4211 Wilcox St. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 595 | Miles Hart | 75 | Gays | E. C. Harrison | Charles W. Furry | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 168 | Milford | 46 | Milford | H. W. McCulloch | D. S. Disosway | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 345 | Milledgeville | 27 | Milledgeville | Fay O. Wolfe | R. S. Freas | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 275 | Milton | 69 | Milton | F. M. Lindsey | Coston Clemmons | Saturday before each full moon |
| 273 | Miners | 24 | Galena | Forrest H. Turner | Philip P. Fetz | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 528 | Minooka | 43 | Minooka | Chas. H. Parmenter | John E. Davis<br>Morris, Ill. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 385 | Mississippi | 25 | Savannah | W. S. Wallace | Wm. L. Hyde | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 85 | Mitchell | 93 | Pinckneyville | S. Walter Reynolds | John D. Roe | Second Monday of each month |
| 410 | Mithra | 20 | Chicago | Max Nellert<br>3754 Herndon St. | Anton Ullsperger<br>1371 Milwaukee Ave. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 768 | Mizpah | 3 | Chicago | Edward J. Forner<br>1652 W. Marqu'tte Rd. | Arthur F. James<br>8041 S. Green St. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 925 | Molenna | 94 | Goldengate | R. W. Davis | L. D. Leach | First and third Tuesdays of each month |

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| 481 | Momence | 43 | Momence | Frank E. Lane | Geo. W. Fox | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 522 | Monitor | 22 | Elgin | Willard H. Seeley, 875 Larkin Ave. | Lynde W. McGill, 26 Grove Ave. | Second and third Thursdays of each month |
| 37 | Monmouth | 38 | Monmouth | David D. Dunkle | Carl H. Hohn | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 999 | Morgan Park | 18 | Chicago | Arthur J. Rich, 10763 Drew St. | Willard J. Henry, 2338 W. 109th St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 734 | Morning Star | 50 | Canton | Thos. Glenn Hayes | O. K. Hummell | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 787 | Morris | 92 | Waterloo | Corry M. Fike | Arthur Engelbrecht | Third Saturday of each month |
| 681 | Morrisonville | 72 | Morrisonville | A. L. Stocks | Chas. Rittger | First Thursday of each month |
| 122 | Mound | 72 | Taylorville | Harry M. Johnson | Milford B. Bates | First Tuesday of each month |
| 180 | Moweaqua | 61 | Moweaqua | Chas. E. Colbert | P. L. Drew | Second Thursday of each month |
| 656 | Mozart | 20 | Bloomington | Peter F. Hoierman, P. O. Dept. | H. C. Rodenhauser, Peoples Bank Bldg. | Fourth Wednesday of each month |
| 239 | Mt. Carmel | 90 | Mt. Carmel | Christian E. Launer | Leslie A. Tevebaugh | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 331 | Mt. Erie | 94 | Mt. Erie | W. F. Daubs | A. C. Holmes | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 42 | Mt. Joliet | 43 | Joliet | Fred E. Whallon, 130 Illinois St. | Vm. F. Gray, 201 Grover St. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 51 | Mt. Moriah | 79 | Hillsboro | Walter R. McLean | Wm. M. Mollman | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 76 | Mt. Nebo | 71 | Carlinville | Sam'l W. David | Wm. M. Hulse | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 87 | Mt. Pulaski | 63 | Mt. Pulaski | C. M. Silkey | C. W. Upp | First Thursday of each month |
| 31 | Mt. Vernon | 90 | Mt. Vernon | Geo. E. Pulliam | Silas Echols | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 396 | Muddy Point | 81 | Trilla | O. C. Brown | T. W. Icenogle | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 498 | Murphysboro | 99 | Murphysboro | R. L. Hagler | Wm. R. Wright | First Monday |
| 432 | Murrayville | 66 | Woodson | J. H. Dial, Murrayville, Ill. | C. Justus Wright | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 795 | Myrtle | 12 | Chicago | Edw. P. Wheeler, 4240 W. Irving Park Blvd. | Frank C. Luebbe, 3818 N. Kedvale Ave. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 758 | Mystic Star | 19 | Chicago | Frank M. Bishop, 6734 Wentw'rth Ave. | Wm. C. McSherry, 7627 Eggleston Ave. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 187 | Mystic Tie | 27 | Polo | Chas. H. Johnson, Box 408. | C. R. Clothier | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 346 | N. D. Morse | 66 | Concord | H. W. Diggins | T. W. Murphy | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 806 | Nebo | 69 | Nebo | Roy E. Wilmering | Samuel W. Smith | First Thursday of each month |
| 279 | Neoga | 81 | Neoga | T. W. Higgins | Clark Young | Third Thursdays of each month |
| 803 | Neponset | 34 | Neponset | Geo. L. Stuart | Geo. W. Whaples | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 59 | New Boston | 37 | New Boston | H. O. Baner | Chas. L. Welch | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 772 | New Burnside | 96 | New Burnside | James T. Wise | Orlin A. Wise | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 821 | New Canton | 69 | New Canton | J. R. Easley | C. P. Gard | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 336 | New Columbia | 96 | Ganntown | Harry Nave, Reevesville, Ill. | W. F. Cummins, Reevesville, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 453 | New Hartford | 69 | New Hartford | Louis J. Dober, Summer Hill, Ill. | John A. James | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 230 | New Haven | 89 | New Haven | I. A. Foster | J. H. Graddy | First and third Wednesdays of each month |

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| 741 | New Holland | 64 | New Holland | John A. Pruett | Andrew T. Peters | First Friday of each month |
| 620 | New Hope | 82 | Livingston | Wash Hollenbeck | Everet Black | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 369 | Newman | 73 | Newman | C. E. Douglas | Jas. T. Burgett | First and third Fridays |
| 218 | New Salem | 68 | New Salem | C. A. Dean | A. E. Hillman | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 216 | Newton | 88 | Newton | H. D. Yelvington | E. M. Jasper | First and third Mondays |
| 992 | Niagara | 11 | Chicago | E. H. Gager, 3522 N. Racine Ave. | Ralph Boyd, 1000 Twentieth Century Bldg. | First, third and fifth Thursdays of each month |
| 874 | Nifong | 70 | Modesto | C. C. Coots | H. H. Drum | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. |
| 362 | Noble | 94 | Noble | Fred H. Henry | Harry T. Flanders | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 456 | Nokomis | 79 | Nokomis | Glen G. Spires | Howard L. Hargrave | Second Wednesday |
| 673 | Normal | 57 | Normal | Geo. Champion, 607 Broadway | Wm. W. McKnight | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 797 | Normal Park | 13 | Chicago | Chas. W. Hibbard, 6926 Yale Ave. | H. M. Hallenbeck, 7100 Lowe Ave. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 937 | North Shore | 15 | Chicago | Emil J. Merki, 1327 Early Ave., | Albert A. Carlson, 528 Wrightwood Ave. | Second and fourth Tuesday of each month |
| 631 | Norton | 48 | Cabery | R. C. Breneisa | Nelson Canham | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 169 | Nunda | 22 | Crystal Lake | O. L. Wollenberg | H. H. McCollum | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 219 | Oakland | 74 | Oakland | E. N. Carter | Carlysle Pemberton | Friday on or before full moon |
| 540 | Oak Park | 2 | Oak Park | Buell B. Dutton, 110 Harlem Ave. | C. W. Dexter, 1116 Madison St. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. |
| 644 | Oblong City | 88 | Oblong | R. M. Dalrymple | J. R. Thorpe | First Saturday of each month |
| 40 | Occidental | 42 | Ottawa | Chas. E. Pettit, 225 Madison St. | Wm. Scales, Sr., 1111 Gnion St. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 390 | Oconee | 76 | Oconee | L. C. Littlejohn | L. F. Diefenthaler | Wednesday on before full moon |
| 401 | Odell | 45 | Odell | Alf. W. Joerndt | Frank W. Brown | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. |
| 503 | Odin | 86 | Odin | A. J. Farthing | T. H. McCelland | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 576 | O'Fallon | 85 | O'Fallon | A. B. Gordon | Thomas T. Gordon | Second Wednesday of each month |
| 754 | Ogden | 60 | Ogden | M. D. Taylo | D. E. Helton | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 897 | Ogden Park | 15 | Chicago | Otto A. Lies, 8118 S. Peoria St. | Frank P. Myers, 6829 S. Winchester Av | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 814 | Ohio | 33 | Ohio | H. A. Jackson | E. P. Spooner | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. |
| 506 | O. H. Miner | 46 | Iroquois | A. M. Pearce, R. R. No. 4, Watseka | N. S. Pearce | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 975 | Old Glory | 61 | Chicago | George H. Ralph, 316 S. Taylor Ave. Oak Park, Ill. | Jos. B. Cottingham, 4210 Jackson Blvd. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 38 | Olive Branch | 59 | Danville | Jas. P. Sutton, 600 The Temple. | Leonard F. Stuebe | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 140 | Olney | 94 | Olney | W. F. Beck | Jacob S. Freeman | Third Monday of each month |
| 864 | Olympia | 15 | Chicago | Edgar O. Waldo, 5342 Calumet Ave. | Geo. T. Ordway, 6019 Calument Ave. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 723 | Omaha | 89 | Omaha | Ben A. Bagby | H. P. Kinsall | Second and fourth Thursdays. |
| 305 | Onarga | 47 | Onarga | Howard B. Stitt | Ira W. Furby | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. |
| 337 | Oneida | 39 | Oneida | C. V. Conyers | John Young | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 123 | Oquawka | 37 | Oquawka | Albert F. Fawley | Chas. L. Brooks | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 687 | Orangeville | 24 | Orangeville | O. C. Dreibelbis | L. D. Van Matre | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 420 | Oregon | 27 | Oregon | Frank W. Gantz | Homer D. Althouse | First and third Wednesdays of each month |

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| 759 | Orel | 91 | Wayne City | John Koontz | Charlie McElfresh | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 323 | Orient | 42 | Lisbon | Tom Jones | Wm. Quigley | First Saturday of each month |
| 33 | Oriental | 1 | Chicago | Frank A. West, 2121 N. Clark St. | J. A. Danner, 4229 W. 21st Place. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 358 | Orion | 22 | Union | W. C. Nulle | Ernest Daehn, Huntley, Ill. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 367 | Oxford | 37 | New Windsor | Wm. H. Veeder | John W. Petrie | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 66 | Pacific | 39 | Knoxville | C. T. Liken | H. A. Parmenter | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 765 | Palace | 1 | Chicago, Pullman | Wm. H. Annand, 612 East 12th St., Chicago | Jas. A. Zeller, 11327 Indiana Ave. | Thursday of each week |
| 314 | Palatine | 11 | Palatine | C. DeWitt Taylor | Edward C. Schmidt, Arlington Heights. | First and third Saturdays of each month. |
| 849 | Palestine | 88 | Palestine. | J. G. Nelson | Walter S. Wells | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 463 | Palmyra | 70 | Palmyra | Fred L. Chiles | Frank P. Gangwer. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 226 | Pana | 76 | Pana | Louis W. Paul, 2nd and Oak Sts. | James Olinger. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 977 | Parian | 18 | Chicago | Robert A. Anderson 700 E. 67th St. | L. N. Thurston, 6160 Michigan Ave. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 268 | Paris | 74 | Paris | Fred E. Hilton | Harry Jones | First Thursday of each month |
| 843 | Park | 7 | Chicago | Albert W. Craig, 2007 Estes Ave. | Louis A. Heile, 111 W. Monroe St. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 509 | Parkersburg | 90 | Parkersburg | Harvey L. Parker | Silas H. Barker | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 899 | Park Manor | 16 | Chicago. | David S. Mellinger, 6729 Langley Ave. | Frank B. Boice, 7839 S. May St. | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 988 | Park Ridge | 8 | Park Ridge | S. J. Walpole, Box 205 Park Ridge | Hans C. Hansen | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 1008 | Parkway | 6 | Chicago | Paul J. Huxmann, 710.105 W. Monroe St. | Frederick W. Goebel, 2116 Berwyn St. | |
| 613 | Patoka | 80 | Patoka | J. W. Delassus. | F. M. Smith | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 998 | Paul Revere | 17 | Chicago | F. W. Bainbridge, 4117 N. Talman Ave. | H. W. Raymond, 1044 Lawrence Ave. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 675 | Pawnee | 71 | Pawnee | Chas. M. Hinkle | Eli Weber | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 416 | Paxton | 47 | Paxton | Ernest Swanson | Oscar E. Sheldon | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 379 | Payson | 68 | Payson | C. R. Fisher | E. T. Griggs, R. R. No. 2, Plainville, Ill. | Tuesday on or before full moon & 2 weeks after. |
| 823 | Pearl | 24 | Pearl City | O. Glen Hooker | F. M. Offenhiser | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 29 | Pekin | 56 | Pekin | F. W. Soady, No. 9 North 4th St. | Orrell M. Schantz | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 15 | Peoria | 49 | Peoria | W. J. Steube, 927 Fifth Ave. | Frank N. Nicol, 610 Fifth Ave. | Last Monday of each month |
| 636 | Peotone | 43 | Peotone | J. J. McMahon | Harry Fedde | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 574 | Pera | 47 | Ludlow | Wm. H. Walker | Wm. A. Thurman | First, third, and fifth Tuesdays of each month |
| 95 | Perry | 68 | Perry | Harris Bradbury | Edw. C. Kopps | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 973 | Perseverance | 14 | Chicago | Geo. D. Prentiss, 330 E. 22nd St. | Wm. Chas. Rapp, 431 S. Dearborn St. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 436 | Philo | 35 | Port Byron | A. G. Brewster | Geo. W. Setzer | Wednesday on or before full moon |

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| 27 | Piasa | 79 | Alton | W. B. Copley<br>509 State St. | Herbert A. Paul<br>410 E. 8th St. | First Tuesday of each month |
| 608 | Piper | 48 | Piper City | F. C. Ehrhardt | A. E. Lansdale | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 790 | Pittsfield | 69 | Pittsfield | John R. Coulter | Albert B. Carey, Jr. | Second Monday of each month |
| 536 | Plainfield | 43 | Plainfield | W. E. Hawkins | S. L. Wylie | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 461 | Plainview | 77 | Plainview | T. H. Taylor | J. E. Morrison | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 565 | Pleasant Hill | 69 | Pleasant Hill | A. W. Stewart | W. A. Windmiller | Fourth Saturday of each month |
| 700 | Pleasant Plains | 65 | Pleasant Plains | H. O. Huber | Geo. P. Ferry | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 940 | Pleasant View | 69 | Pearl | A. L. Miller | F. M. Thurmon | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 478 | Pleiades | 17 | Chicago | George McKenzie<br>3122 W. 16th St. | Otto H. Kirchhofer<br>211 S. Irving Ave. | Thursday of each week |
| 554 | Plum River | 25 | Stockton | R. T. Andrews | J. Albert Sheetz | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 286 | Plymouth | 54 | Plymouth | Elmer C. Rigsbee | Howard M. Lawton | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 137 | Polk | 91 | McLeansboro | T. W. Biggerstaff | O. J. Davis | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 294 | Pontiac | 41 | Pontiac | Henry D. Wolff | William Mathewson | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 1002 | Portage Park | 1 | Chicago | Oscar Von Werder<br>4041 N. Lawler Ave. | Joseph F. Frey<br>4040 N. Lawler Ave. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 782 | Potomac | 46 | Potomac | J. C. Moss | Chas. Jester | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 77 | Prairie | 74 | Paris | Winston J. Griffin | Wm. H. Barr | First Tuesday of each month |
| 578 | Prairie City | 83 | Montrose | C. S. Printz | C. E. Mesnard | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 755 | Preemption | 36 | Preemption | John Lowe<br>Milan, Ill. | Henry Hutchinson | Friday on or before full moon |
| 587 | Princeton | 34 | Princeton | James L. Norman<br>801 S. Main St. | Geo. O. Smith | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 360 | Princeville | 40 | Princeville | J. F. Carman | W. M. Hoag | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 954 | Progressive | 2 | Chicago | Wm. C. Kater<br>3402 Cortland St., | John E. Renner<br>1917 N. Albany Ave. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 293 | Prophetstown | 26 | Prophetstown | Guy L. Cleveland | Frank L. Dudley | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 957 | Prospect | 5 | Chicago | Frank W. Young<br>Downers Grove, Ill. | Wm. J. Miskelly, Jr.<br>5608 W. 22nd Place,<br>Cicero, Ill. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 711 | Providence | 12 | Chicago | P. L. Gerlicher<br>5512 Higgins Ave. | Grant A. Meloling<br>2433 N. Hamlin Ave. | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 958 | Prudence | 6 | Chicago | Morris Marx<br>1445 N. Maplew'od Av | Jacob Hirsch<br>1908 Montrose Ave. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 887 | Pyramid | 6 | Hegewisch | Matthew Drinnan<br>13209 Brandon Ave. | Samuel A. Stroth<br>13222 Brandon Aee. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 296 | Quincy | 52 | Quincy | Arthur C. Garrett<br>Box 135 | John W. Hart<br>2630 Chestnut St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 972 | Rainbow | 13 | Chicago | Albert B. Allshouse<br>7723 Peoria St. | Edward W. Hartney<br>1144-175 W. Jackson<br>Blvd. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 128 | Raleigh | 97 | Raleigh | Will Gore | Geo. H. Barnes | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 405 | Ramsey | 80 | Ramsey | B. F. Mattes | F. P. Simcox | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 725 | Rankin | 47 | Rankin | Chas. R. Hill | Chas B. McHaley | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 470 | Rantoul | 47 | Rantoul | Nate Reed | Frank G. Howard | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 727 | Raritan | 38 | Raritan | C. E. Perrine | Jess Tilly | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 303 | Raven | 42 | Oswego | Lewis P. Voss | Robert Peterson | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 777 | Ravenswood | 7 | Chicago | Geo. N. Ackley<br>4251 N. Paulina St. | Wm. Jas. Selbie<br>4410 N. Paulina St. | Second and fourth Mondays in each month |
| 692 | Raymond | 72 | Raymond | H. J. Henderson | Chas. D. Burris<br>Butler, Ill. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |

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| 427 | Red Bud | 92 | Red Bud | Fred D. Guker, Sr. | Geo. G. Guker | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 914 | Republic | 4 | Chicago | Ernest L. Kreamer. 7 S. Dearborn St. | F. M. Kremer. 900 Rookery Blvd. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 419 | Reynoldsburg | 96 | Tunnel Hill | Thos. H. Taylor | L. D. Alexander | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 948 | R. F. Casey | 86 | Kell | R. E. McNeilly | G. B. McNeilly | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 697 | Richard Cole | 11 | Chicago | Bernard Remmer. 5158 Union Ave. | Wm. Robertson. 7247 Lafayette Ave. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 143 | Richmond | 21 | Richmond | Jas. T. Bower | Jesse B. Richardson | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 632 | Ridge Farm | 59 | Ridge Farm | F. M. Hole | W. R. Hornader | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 816 | Ridgway | 89 | Ridgway | J. R. Glascock | L. M. King | Second Thursday of each month |
| 685 | Rio | 38 | Rio | C. E. Frankenburger | Jas. G. Mansfield | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 115 | Rising Sun | 21 | Grayslake | Harry O. Rich. | W. H. Studer | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 862 | Riverside | 13 | Riverside | Alfred E. Harvie | Asa Dearborn | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 786 | Riverton Union | 65 | Riverton | Howard H. Grubb | W. P. Wilkin | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 113 | Robert Burns | 37 | Keithsburg | J. H. Madden | Alvin C. Venable | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 250 | Robinson | 88 | Robinson | F. I. Mills | Sam Faucett | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. |
| 247 | Rob Morris | 41 | Minonk | Winfield S. Morrison | Cloyd Phillips | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 635 | Rochester | 65 | Rochester | C. E. Nickols | Chas. W. Fame | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 936 | Rock Falls | 27 | Rock Falls | J. G. Limerick | John A. Kadel | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 102 | Rockford | 23 | Rockford | Gavin Harvey. 1131 Revell Ave. | Johd T. Buckbee. 1405 Kishwaukee St. | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 658 | Rock Island | 35 | Rock Island | Holland S. Bollman. 802 43rd St. | James B. Jones. 3309 14th Ave. | First Friday of each month |
| 830 | Rockport | 69 | Rockport | E. L. Roosa | B. B. Horton | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 612 | Rock River | 27 | Sterling | Elijah K. Jenkins | Junius M. Penrose | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 74 | Rockton | 23 | Rockton | B. B. Hill | D. F. Jones | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 721 | Rome | 86 | Dix | Gust Gerber | Wayne D. Cummins | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 75 | Roscoe | 23 | Roscoe | E. H. Wilson | Walter Lee | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 519 | Roseville | 51 | Roseville | John Conlon | H. E. Lance | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 527 | Rossville | 46 | Rossville | Sam'l W. McGuire | Theodore E. Habel | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 807 | Royal | 5 | Macedonia | W. N. Sullivan | J. E. Marquis | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 9 | Rushville | 55 | Rushville | William E. Gragg | Bruce Shindle | First Tuesday of each month |
| 154 | Russell | 59 | Georgetown | Ross Mason | W. T. Henderson | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 477 | Rutland | 41 | Rutland | F. W. Sauer | Cornelius Winans | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. |
| 339 | Saline | 98 | Goreville | A. L. Grace | Henry Terry | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 96 | Samuel H. Davis | 27 | Mt. Morris | J. G. Miller | F. L. Watts | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 932 | Sandoval | 86 | Sandoval | E. B. Purnell | Chas. R. Allison | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 801 | Sangamon | 58 | Fisher | C. L. Bryant | S. D. Donovan | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 645 | San Jose | 64 | San Jose | John L. Eyrse | Roscoe Smith | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 738 | Saunemin | 48 | Saunemin | W. A. Cording | Bruce Wrey | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |

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| 335 | Schiller | 20 | Peoria | John Denzler, 900 Monson St. | A. Langfeldt, C. R. I. & P. Ticket office. | Fourth Friday of each month |
| 79 | Scott | 85 | Carlyle | E. E. Sadler | M. B. Johnston | First Monday of each month |
| 743 | Scottland | 73 | Scottland | S. L. Osborn | S. J. Kegley | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 426 | Scottville | 70 | Scottville | C. R. Goff | Wm. H. Vanbebber, Palmyra Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 447 | S. D. Monroe | 88 | Birds | J. Palmer Wampler, R.R. No. 1, | S. D. Day | First Friday of each month |
| 532 | Seneca | 43 | Seneca | C. J. Everhart | F. H. Whittaker | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 918 | Sesser | 95 | Sesser | R. A. Gulley | C. A. McBride | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 827 | Sequoit | 21 | Antioch | Frank B. Huber | Geo. W. Landgraf | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 374 | Shabbona | 32 | Shabbona | George Lovering | J. M. Olson | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 490 | Shannon | 24 | Shannon | Chas. Shore | J. H. Earlenbaugh | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 550 | Sharon | 34 | Tiskilwa | Wm. M. Repine | Ernest H. Reynolds | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 200 | Sheba | 90 | Grayville | W. O. Pope | B. G. Crawford | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 241 | Shekinah | 99 | Carbondale | H. C. Mertz | Donald Forsyth | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 609 | Sheldon | 46 | Sheldon | Rob't H. Mason | A. Mont. Webster | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 735 | Sheridan | 42 | Sheridan | L. A. Beardsley | E. D. Robinson | First Monday of each month |
| 535 | Sherman | 36 | Orion | C. R. Hanna | Arthur E. Fehlman | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 397 | Shiloh | 42 | Troy Grove | Albert Krausse | Chas. B. Willshay | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 695 | Shiloh Hill | 93 | Campbell Hill | H. Mohlenbrock | Wm. Williamson | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 212 | Shipman | 77 | Shipman | L. D. Smith | J. E. Randle | Monday on or before full moon |
| 582 | Shirley | 63 | Shirley | O. V. Douglass | Geo. W. Park | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 761 | Sibley | 48 | Sibley | Gus F. Koehler | Sam'l M. Waldon | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 798 | Sidell | 59 | Sidell | J. A. Seybold | Glen Lough | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 347 | Sidney | 60 | Sidney | Grover C. Allen | James F. Rankin | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 780 | Siloam | 9 | Chicago | Edward H. Cass, 2937 Adams St. | Chas. A. Griner, 118 S. California Ave. | First and third Tuesdays of each month. |
| 898 | Silvis | 35 | Silvis | Edward M. Eaton | George Sleeth | First Monday of each month |
| 982 | Sincerity | 2 | Chicago | Wm. F. Lipps, 2180 Wilson Ave. | R. W. McClintock, 4842 N. Paulina St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 805 | S. M. Dalzell | 33 | Spring Valley | Wm. Harman | R. M. F. Hill | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 646 | Somonauk | 32 | Somonauk | H. F. Hess | W. J. Rumney | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 861 | Sorento | 80 | Sorento | Francis H. Swann | Norredden Cowen | Monday on or before full moon |
| 968 | South Gate | 11 | Chicago | Thos. O. Watson, 6555 S. Green St. | Herbert T. Berry, 7828 S. Peoria. | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 467 | South Macon | 61 | Macon | J. I. Lebo | Delmar Byard | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 662 | South Park | 8 | Chicago | Frank A. Long, 847 E. 57th St. | T. A. Hewitt, 6150 E. Ellis Ave. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 441 | Sparland | 40 | Sparland | F. H. Gehr | N. W. Macon | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 4 | Springfield | 65 | Springfield | John L. Clifford, 804 N. 9th St. | Alfred E. Haynes, 1008 N. 8th St. | First Monday of each month |
| 978 | Square | 19 | Chicago | Chas. L. Schmidt, 6848 Ashland Ave. | Henry Altman, 7000 Laflin St. | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 873 | Standard | 18 | Chicago | John W. Johnson, 22 E. Washington St. | Chas. A. Bovee, 801 Newport Ave. | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 863 | St. Andrews | 14 | Chicago | G. Frank Kohl, 1128 Fry St. | Gordon C. Hamilton, 442 E. 34th St. | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 709 | Star | 46 | Hoopeston | C. E. Mitchell | Charls R. Finley, R. F. D. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |

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| 166 | Star in the East.. | 23 | Rockford ..... | H. J. Forest ..... 320 Woodruff Ave. | R. E. Turney ..... 601 Trust Bldg. | First and third Fridays of each month..... |
| 501 | Stark ..... | 40 | LaFayette ..... | Howard W. Pierce .. R. R. No. 2. | J. H. White ..... J. J. Willkinson ..... | Saturday on or before full moon..... Second Tuesday of each month..... |
| 177 | Staunton ..... | 79 | Staunton ..... | Cornelius Godfrey .. | Build, Ill. | |
| 865 | St. Cecilia ..... | 16 | Chicago..... | Harry H. Millnor ... 516 N. Laranice Ave. | C. Ward Cheshire ... 3409 Jackson Blvd. | First and third Tuesdays of each month..... |
| 24 | St. Clair..... | 85 | Belleville..... | Louis E. Wangelin.. | Thos. C. Wright ..... | First Monday of each month..... |
| 769 | St. Elmo..... | 83 | St. Elmo..... | Thos. A. Birdsell .... | E. L. Greider ..... | First Tuesday of each month..... |
| 912 | Stellar..... | 90 | St. Francisville . | G. C. Pritchett..... | H. R. Weeden..... | Second and fourth Mondays of each month..... |
| 979 | Stephen Decatur | 61 | Decatur..... | Chas. A. Imboden.... % Millikin Nat'l B'k | E. L. Harris..... 313 N. Main St. | Second Wednesday of each month..... |
| 541 | Stewardson ..... | 81 | Stewardson ..... | Fred Robey ..... | Walter Donaldson .. | First Wednesday of each month ..... |
| 92 | Stewart ..... | 35 | Geneseo..... | B. Lacher..... | Frank Cook..... | Second Friday of each month..... |
| 13 | St. Johns..... | 33 | Peru ..... | Frederick E. Hoberg Masonic Temple | Wm. B. Linng ..... | First and third Thursdays of each month..... |
| 970 | St. Joseph..... | 60 | St. Joseph ..... | W. C. Peters. .... | C. L. Hall..... | Third Friday of each month..... |
| 63 | St. Mark's..... | 22 | Woodstock..... | Walter T. Wheeler.. 129 North St. | Wm. S. Blanchard .. | First and third Tuesdays of each month..... |
| 953 | Stone Arch..... | 100 | Cypress..... .... | J. F. Karraker..... | John M. Bradley .... | Monday on or before full moon..... |
| 495 | Stone Fort. ..... | 96 | Stonefort..... | Alden Deaton..... | H. C. Bynum..... | Fourth Monday..... |
| 500 | St. Paul..... | 65 | Springfield ..... | Jay T. French..... Care P. O. Dept. | Geo. A. Bengel..... | Fourth Monday of each month ..... |
| 408 | Stratton ..... | 74 | Vermilion..... | A. O. Raines ..... | L. E. Lamb..... | Saturday on or before full moon..... |
| 607 | Streator ..... | 41 | Streator..... | Abner G. Rich ..... 421 E. Main St. | John Dun ..... 1301 Broadway. | First, third, and fifth Wednesdays of each month |
| 847 | Stronghurst..... | 38 | Stronghurst..... | J. B. Fort ..... | R. I. Findley ..... .. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month..... |
| 349 | Sublette..... | 32 | Sublette ..... | G. N. Paige .... .... | Ed. Wolf ..... R. R. No. 1. | First and third Tuesdays..... |
| 764 | Sullivan ..... | 75 | Sullivan ..... | Joe B. Michaels..... | Paul M. Hankla ..... | Wednesday on or before full moon..... |
| 342 | Summerfield..... | 85 | Summerfield..... | G. H. Poos..... | Jacob Schumacher.. | First Saturday of each month..... |
| 431 | Summit ..... | 62 | Harristown ..... | J. J. Cross..... | H. P. Ash..... | First Saturday of each month..... |
| 334 | Sumner..... | 90 | Sumner ..... | A. R. Foster .... .... | B. F. Hockman ..... | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month ..... |
| 428 | Sunbeam ..... | 30 | Plano..... | W. H. Parker..... Box 275. | C. H. Hoard ..... | First and third Fridays of each month ..... .... |
| 996 | Sunrise..... | 15 | Chicago ..... .... | Jos. F. Brown .. .... 4556 N. Paulina St. | Chas. H. Schell, Sr.. 136 S. Cuyler. Ave., Oak Park. | First and third Monday of each month..... |
| 134 | Sycamore..... | 28 | Sycamore ..... | O. P. Herrick ..... | D. R. Langhorn..... | Third Friday of each month..... |
| 939 | Table Grove ..... | 55 | Table Grove ..... | Willis L. Cox..... | Frank B. Willis ..... | Wednesday on or before full moon..... |
| 794 | Tadmor..... | 97 | Karbers Ridge... | J. H. Shipp..... | Geo. W. Joyce ..... | Wednesday on or before full moon..... |
| 207 | Tamaroa ..... | 93 | Tamaroa ..... | Wm. J. Appel ..... | August Sprenger.... | Friday on or before full moon ..... |
| 351 | Tarbolton ..... | 48 | Fairbury ..... | Harry B. Bull ..... | Chas. E. Gregg ..... | First and third Thursdays of each month..... |
| 98 | Taylor ..... | 49 | Washington..... | R. W. Miller ..... | Frank S. Harvey.... | Third Friday of each month. ..... |
| 16 | Temperance ..... | 80 | Vandalia ..... | L. E. Wilson ..... | Glen E. Horey ..... | Third Monday of each month..... |
| 46 | Temple ..... | 49 | Peoria ..... | Albert L. Gregory .. 913 Fifth Ave. | J. Orvill Kendall .... 708 Fisher St. | Last Wednesday of each month..... |

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| 701 | Temple Hill | 96 | Temple Hill | W. A. Yates | W. Thos. Parr | Saturday on or after full moon |
| 559 | Thomson | 26 | Thomson | Roy I. Houghton | A. A. Melendy | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 409 | Thos. J. Turner | 13 | Chicago | Wm. Tinsley, 618 Wrightwood Ave. | Frank H. Nabers, Western Springs, Ill. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 569 | Time | 69 | Time | Brady Sonner, R. R. No. 7. Pittsfield | Claud Wells, Pittsfield. | Saturday before full moon |
| 307 | T. J. Pickett | 51 | Bushnell | Louis F. Oblander | Ed. F. Klein | First Friday of each month |
| 834 | Toledo | 81 | Toledo | Allen J. Reeves | Chas. N. Wiley | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 391 | Tolono | 60 | Tolono | Justin P. Crawford | G. M. Vinson | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 364 | Tonica | 81 | Tonica | Geo. A. McFerson | William Baldwin | Second and fourth Fridays of each month |
| 93 | Toulon | 40 | Toulon | W. F. Young | Fred Brown | Fourth Thursday in each month |
| 542 | Towanda | 57 | Towanda | Burditt C. Kraft | Len Jones | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 493 | Tower Hill | 76 | Tower Hill | Edmund S. McLean | Chas. R. Eiler | First Tuesday of each month |
| 810 | Tracy | 16 | Chicago | G. W. Cummings, 9644 Vanderpoel Ave. | Geo. H. Billings, 2246 W. 109th St. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 462 | Tremont | 56 | Tremont | W. L. Gillan | Geo. O. Smith | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 109 | Trenton | 85 | Trenton | James L. Wilson, Jr. | Logan A. Louden | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 767 | Triluminar | 2 | Chicago | Wm. W. M. Bending, 9139 Commercial Av. | Elmer J. Fry, 8948 Houston Ave. | First, third and fifth Fridays of each month |
| 562 | Trinity | 100 | Mound City | E. P. Easterday | Harry Perkins | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 57 | Trio | 35 | Rock Island | Clifford L. Hubbard, 206 Cent'l Trust Bldg. | H. E. Herpelink, 1409 2nd Ave. | First Thursday of each month |
| 835 | Triple | 84 | Granite City | James Kerr, Venice, Ill. | Geo. W. Dean, 4426 Gibson Ave., St. Louis, Mo. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 981 | Trowel | 1 | Chicago | V. W. Reed, 4254 Potomac Ave. | Gustav Kohn, 4718 St. Lawrence Av. | Second and third Fridays of each month |
| 588 | Troy | 84 | Troy | H. A. Canedy | Chas. E. Molden | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 994 | True Blue | 13 | Chicago | Henry E. Schoeneck, 320 S. Sacramento Blvd. | Chas. Caleb Smith, 335 S. Sacramento Blvd. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 630 | Tuscan | 91 | Walpole | Dallas Douglass | G. W. Burnett, R.R. No. 3. Galatia, Ill. | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 332 | Tuscola | 73 | Tuscola | Myron E. Bigelow | Chas A. Hawkins | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 333 | Tyrian | 65 | Springfield | Asa G. Trees, Gaiety Theatre Bldg. | Carl F. Nuess, 721 S. 8th St. | Third Monday of each month |
| 627 | Union | 99 | Lickcreek | Geo. M. Hankla, Cobden, Ill. | Riley M. Damron, Wayside, Ill. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 610 | Union Park | 3 | Chicago | Harry W. Peterson, 817 S. Clinton Ave., Oak Park. Ill. | Bruce Baird, 3439 W. Adams St. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 48 | Unity | 29 | St. Charles | Carroll W. Norris | Edward Davey | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 985 | Universal | 5 | Chicago | Patrick C. Hart, 6655 Hartwell Ave. | Carl J. Salomon, 189 W. Madison St. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 157 | Urbana | 60 | Urbana | Benjamin Bing | Francis M. Porter, 711 W. Ill. St. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 858 | Utica | 33 | Utica | Abe Sumberg | Du Fae Lee | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 894 | Utopia | 12 | Chicago | S. Birch Gourley, 9036 Cottage Gr've Av. | Thos. H. Hooper, 442 E. 43rd St. | First, third and fifth Fridays of each month |
| 547 | Valley | 36 | Coal Valley | Robert Jas. Bailey | James F. Spargo | Friday on or before full moon |
| 762 | Van Meter | 65 | Athens | Elmer L. Primm | G. S. Von Wormer | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 926 | Veritas | 12 | Chicago | Wm. O. Holton, 6035 Michigan Ave. | Ernest W. Wilson, 4456 Monroe St. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 265 | Vermilion | 59 | Indianola | W. W. Gibbs | Clyde Baldwin | First and third Saturdays of each month |
| 116 | Vermont | 55 | Vermont | F. E. Bayless | H. C. Musgrove | First Saturday of each month |
| 757 | Verona | 45 | Verona | G. L. Beal | J. P. Hatford | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 108 | Versailles | 67 | Versailles | E. E. Perry | Lyle W. Bates | First and third Fridays |
| 584 | Vesper | 39 | Galesburg | Clyde N. Bandy | H. J. Lowe | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |

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| 150 | Vienna | 98 | Vienna | Lucas Parker | Chas. J. Huffman | Tuesday on or before full moon |
| 885 | Villa Grove | 73 | Villa Grove | G. L. Kennedy | C. A. Tuttle | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 577 | Viola | 37 | Viola | Smith A. Hunting | C. E. Heston | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 161 | Virden | 71 | Virden | C. H. Post | Ira Drennen R. R. | Wednesday on or before full moon |
| 544 | Virginia | 66 | Virginia | Elijah Needham | Glen Petefish | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 81 | Vitruvius | 2 | Wheeling | J. Schwingel | M. A. Grenning Glen View. | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 175 | Wabash | 81 | Etna | E. T. Allen | F. W. Chamberlain | Friday on or before full moon |
| 512 | Wade-Barney | 57 | Bloomington % Court House. | J. H. Allen | James E. Roberts 507 W. Jefferson St. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 616 | Wadley | 70 | Franklin | H. M. Tulpin | Henry G. Duncan | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 674 | Waldeck | 20 | Chicago 6030 Prairie Ave. | Wm. Dudenbostel | Fred Korn 1012 West 71st St. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 722 | Walnut | 33 | Walnut | E. M. Fox | A. J. Dullinger | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 475 | Walshville | 79 | Walshville | E. L. Shields | Earl Messimore | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 384 | Waltham | 42 | Waltham Troy Grove, Ill. | Wm. N. Mitchell | Wm. H. Davis | Monday on or before full moon |
| 14 | Warren | 89 | Shawneetown | J. C. Matthew | J. R. Williams | First Tuesday of each month |
| 959 | Warrensburg | 62 | Warrensburg | W. H. Perkins | WM. R. Schroeder | Third Friday of each month |
| 257 | Warsaw | 53 | Warsaw | Wm. G. Fenor Box 172 | John B. Northen | Third Tuesday of each month |
| 421 | Washburn | 49 | Washburn | Geo. H. Wineteer Box 55 | J. E. Colborn | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 55 | Washington | 85 | Nashville | L. T. Phillips | P. B. Rabenneck | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 956 | Washingt'n Park | 4 | Chicago 6141 Evans Ave. | Sam'l A. Brunwasser | Fred B. Sachs 5412 S. Park Blvd. | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 291 | Wataga | 39 | Wataga | F. W. Applegren | E. P. Robson | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 728 | Waterman | 32 | Waterman | H. E. Davis | W. T. Wiltberger | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 446 | Watseka | 46 | Watseka | Thos. B. Brennan | Claude A. Payne | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 602 | Watson | 83 | Watson | J. W. Cloar | W. J. Zahnon | Saturday on or before full moon |
| 160 | Waubansia | 4 | Chicago 4851 W. Monroe St. | H. E. VanLoon | John T. Law 6110 Prairie Ave. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 298 | Wauconda | 21 | Wauconda | D. L. Putnam | R. C. McCormick | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 78 | Waukegan | 21 | Waukegan 804 N. County St. | T. Arthur Simpson | LeRoy F. Hill 901 North Ave. | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 118 | Waverly | 70 | Waverly | W. A. Jones | P. W. Wemple | First and third Fridays of each month |
| 1001 | Wayfarers | 19 | Evanston 1222 Elmwood Ave. | G. W. Carman | Geo. F. Tyson 845 Chicago Ave. | First and third Wednesdays of each month |
| 172 | Wayne | 63 | Waynesville | Geo. W. Finbrock | C. R. Sanderson | First Monday on or before full moon |
| 916 | Welcome | 6 | Chicago 6354 S. Carpenter St. | James B. Child | Joseph A. Sparr 2707 Princeton Ave. | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |

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| 991 | Welfare | 10 | Chicago | John T. Bloomburg. 1417 Olive Ave. | John H. Kanitz 3939 Broadway | Second and fourth Tuesday of each month |
| 746 | Weldon | 58 | Weldon | Wm. J. Schwehm | V. C. Swigart | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 344 | Wenona | 41 | Wenona | C. E. Haynes | Frank Moffett | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 240 | Western Star | 60 | Champaign | Ottie F. Miller 502 S. Elm St. | Francis I. Fleming. 204½ W. White St. | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 856 | West Gate | 78 | Hamburg | S. B. Waldron | Geo. W. Rosa | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 866 | West Salem | 90 | West Salem | Carl H. Mattes | Chas. H. Voigt | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 269 | Wheaton | 29 | Wheaton | Arthur Inman | P. M. Riesterer | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 883 | Wheeler | 83 | Wheeler | Henry E. Miller | W. E. Gillson | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 80 | White Hall | 70 | White Hall | Robert Dickson | Alonzo Ellis | Thursday on or before full moon |
| 802 | Williamson | 95 | Carterville | J. E. Harriss | C. H. Bundy | Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month |
| 931 | Wilmette | 13 | Wilmette | Chas. C. Schultz 1609 Lake Ave | James G. Wray 618 Washington Ave. | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 208 | Wilmington | 45 | Wilmington | A. S. Hadsall | John C. Whitmar | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 105 | Winchester | 66 | Winchester | Earl C. Nelson | Ralph M. Riggs | First and third Mondays of each month |
| 322 | Windsor | 75 | Windsor | P. G. Matzen | Charles Hill | Tuesday on or before full moon and 2 wks after |
| 836 | Windsor Park | 3 | Chicago | Arthur J. Biddle 7743 Colfax Ave. | Henry L. Wysong 4332 Vincennes Ave. | Second and fourth Mondays |
| 745 | Winnebago | 23 | Winnebago | R. W. Boom | H. J. Waterstreet | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 564 | Winslow | 24 | Winslow | Sam'l Sinclair | Rollo H. Stites | First Tuesday of each month |
| 209 | Wm. B. Warren. | 5 | Chicago | Geo. R. Lundy 2527 Clara Place | Steward McDonald. 3252 S. Irving Ave. | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |
| 306 | Wm. C. Hobbs | 49 | Eureka | Judd H Leys | Egan Dierkes | First Tuesday of each month |
| 876 | Wm. McKinley | 1 | Chicago | Frank E. Lawrence. 2136 N. Hamlin Ave. | Wm. S. Jones 2742 N. Fairfield Ave. | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 502 | Woodhull | 37 | Woodhull | Amos A. Mackey | Frank W. Overstreet | Friday on or before full moon |
| 841 | Woodlawn Park | 5 | Chicago | Harlan S. Sylvester. 6449 Minerva Ave. | John L. Schnidt 6351 St Lawrence Av | Second and fourth Mondays of each month |
| 1011 | Woodson | | Woodson | G. A. Megginson | C. C. Self | |
| 779 | Wright's Grove | 8 | Chicago | Wm. O. Dicus 4800 N. Robey St. | Chas. A. Stayart 4424 N. Richmond Av | First and third Thursdays of each month |
| 231 | Wyanet | 34 | Wyanet | C. M. Waters | Geo. W. Carley | Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month |
| 479 | Wyoming | 40 | Wyoming | Geo. F. Earhart | Harry E. Rakestraw | Second Thursday |
| 485 | Xenia | 87 | Xenia | F. H. Westcott | H. Lorin Elliott | First and third Thursdays |
| 448 | Yates City | 50 | Yates City | E. J. H. North | E. B. Runyon | Second and fourth Thursdays of each month |
| 313 | York | 82 | West Union | W. H. Marvin | H. C. Dolson | First and third Tuesdays of each month |
| 655 | Yorktown | 26 | Tampico | Jesse Van Blbber | Frank W. Yarde | Second and fourth Saturdays of each month |

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GIVING NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGE LOCATED AT EACH.

| POSTOFFICE. | NAME. | NO. | CHARTERED. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Abingdon | Abingdon | 185 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Albany | Albany | 566 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Albion | Hermitage | 356 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Aledo | Aledo | 252 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Alexis | Alexandria | 702 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Algonquin | Algonquin | 960 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Allendale | Allendale | 752 | Oct. 4, 1877 |
| Allen Springs | Gurney | 778 | |
| Alta | Alta | 748 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Altamont | Altamont | 533 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Alton | Franklin | 25 | ——1837 |
| Alton | Piasa | 27 | Oct. 9, 1844 |
| Altona | Altona | 330 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Alto Pass | Alto Pass | 840 | Oct. 2, 1895 |
| Amboy | Illinois Central | 178 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Andalusia | Andalusia | 516 | Oct 1, 1867 |
| Anna | Anna | 520 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Antioch | Sequoit | 827 | Oct. 4, 1893 |
| Apple River | Apple River | 859 | Oct. 1, 1901 |
| Arcola | Arcola | 366 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Argenta | Argenta | 871 | Oct. 7, 1903 |
| Arlington | Levi Lusk | 270 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Aroma Park | Aroma | 378 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Arrowsmith | Arrowsmith | 737 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Arthur | Arthur | 825 | Oct. 4, 1893 |
| Ashland | Ashland | 929 | Oct. 10 1911 |
| Ashley | Clay | 153 | Oct. 3, 1854 |
| Ashmore | Ashmore | 390 | Oct. 5, 1863 |
| Ashton | Ashton | 531 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Assumption | Bromwell | 451 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Astoria | Astoria | 100 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Athens | Van Meter | 762 | Oct. 4, 1882 |
| Atkinson | Atkinson | 433 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Atlanta | Atlanta | 165 | Oct. 3, 1854 |
| Atwood | Atwood | 651 | Oct, 4, 1870 |
| Auburn | Ark & Anchor | 354 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Augusta | J. L. Anderson | 318 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Aurora | Jerusalem Temp. | 90 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Aurora | Aurora | 254 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Ava | Dean | 833 | Oct. 3, 1894 |
| Avon | Avon Harmony | 253 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Bardolph | Bardolph | 572 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Barrington | Lounsbury | 751 | Oct. 4, 1877 |
| Barry | Barry | 34 | Oct. 8, 1845 |
| Basco | Basco | 618 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Batavia | Batavia | 404 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Baylis | Baylis | 1000 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Beardstown | Cass | 23 | Oct. 4, 1843 |
| Beecher City | Beecher City | 665 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Belknap | Belknap | 822 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Belle Rive | Belle Rive | 696 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Belleville | St. Clair | 24 | Dec.14, 1843 |
| Bellflower | Bellflower | 911 | Oct. 13, 1909 |
| Belvidere | Belvidere | 60 | Oct. 4, 1848 |
| Bement | Bement | 365 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Benton | Benton | 64 | Oct. 5, 1848 |
| Berwyn | Berwyn | 839 | Oct. 2, 1895 |
| Bethalto | Bethalto | 406 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Bethany | Bethany | 884 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Birds | S. D. Monroe | 447 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Blandinsville | Blandinsville | 233 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Bloomington | Bloomington | 43 | Oct. 6, 1847 |
| Bloomington | Wade-Barney | 512 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Bloomington | Mozart | 656 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Blue Island | Calumet | 716 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Blue Mound | Blue Mound | 682 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Bluffs | Bluffs | 846 | Oct. 6, 1896 |
| Bowen | Bowen | 486 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Bradford | Bradford | 514 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Braidwood | Braidwood | 704 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Bridgeport | Bridgeport | 386 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Brighton | Hibbard | 249 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Broadlands | Broadlands | 791 | Oct. 15, 1913 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brooklyn | LaMoine | 935 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Brookport | Farmers | 232 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Broughton | Broughton | 963 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Buckley | Buckley | 634 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Buda | Buda | 399 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Buffalo | Buffalo | 945 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Buffalo Prairie | Buffalo Prairie | 679 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Bunker Hill | Bunker Hill | 151 | Oct. 3, 1854 |
| Burnside | Burnside | 683 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Burnt Prairie | Burnt Prairie | 668 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Bushnell | T. J. Pickett | 307 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Byron | Byron | 274 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Cabery | Norton | 631 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Cairo | Cairo | 237 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Camargo | Camargo | 440 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Cambridge | Cambridge | 49 | Oct. 5, 1847 |
| Camden | Camden | 648 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Campbell Hill | Shiloh Hill | 695 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Camp Point | Benjamin | 297 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Canton | Morning Star | 734 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Capron | Capron | 575 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Carbondale | Shekinah | 241 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Carlinville | Mt. Nebo | 76 | Dec. 4, 1849 |
| Carlyle | Scott | 79 | Dec. 10, 1849 |
| Carman | Carman | 732 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Carmi | Carmi | 272 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Carriers Mills | Blazing Star | 458 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Carrollton | Carrollton | 50 | Oct. 5, 1847 |
| Carterville | Williamson | 802 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Carthage | Hancock | 20 | Oct. 3, 1843 |
| Casey | Casey | 442 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Catlin | Catlin | 285 | Oct. 7, 1858 |
| Cave-in-Rock | Cave-in-Rock | 444 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Centralia | Centralia | 201 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Cerro Gordo | Cerro Gordo | 600 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Chadwick | Chadwick | 867 | Oct. 8, 1902 |
| Chambersburg | Chambersburg | 373 | Oct. 8, 1862 |
| Champaign | Western Star | 240 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Chandlerville | Chandlerville | 724 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Channahon | Channahon | 262 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Charleston | Charleston | 35 | Oct. 8, 1845 |
| Chatham | Chatham | 523 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Chatsworth | Chatsworth | 539 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Chebanse | Chebanse | 429 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Chenoa | Chenoa | 292 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Cherry Valley | Cherry Valley | 173 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Chester | Chester | 72 | Oct. 4, 1849 |
| Chesterfield | Chesterfield | 445 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Chicago | Aaron | 913 | Oct. 13, 1909 |
| Chicago | Accordia | 277 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Chicago | Albany Park | 974 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Chicago | America | 889 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Chicago | Ancient Craft | 907 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Chicago | Apollo | 642 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Chicago | Arcana | 717 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Chicago | Ashlar | 308 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Chicago (Auburn Park) | Auburn Park | 789 | Oct. 3, 1889 |
| Chicago | Austin | 850 | Oct. 6, 1897 |
| Chicago | Avondale | 921 | Oct. 12 1910 |
| Chicago | Banner Blue | 924 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Chicago (Norwood Park) | Beacon Light | 784 | Oct. 6, 1887 |
| Chicago | Bee Hive | 909 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Chicago | Ben Hur | 818 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Chicago | Ben. Franklin | 962 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Chicago | Birchwood | 1012 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Chicago | Blair | 393 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Chicago | Blaney | 271 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Chicago | Bohemia | 943 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Chicago | Boulevard | 882 | Oct. 4, 1905 |
| Chicago (Bright'n P'rk) | Brighton Park | 854 | Oct. 5, 1898 |
| Chicago | Brotherhood | 986 | Oct. 13, 1914 |
| Chicago | Candida | 927 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Chicago | Carnation | 900 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Chicago | Chicago | 437 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Chicago | Cleveland | 211 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Chicago (Lawndale) | Columbian | 819 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Chicago | Compass | 922 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Chicago | Composite | 879 | Oct. 3, 1905 |
| Chicago | Community | 1005 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Chicago | Concord | 917 | Oct. 13, 1909 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Chicago | Constantia | 783 | Oct. 6, 1887 |
| Chicago | Constellation | 892 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Chicago | Cornerstone | 875 | Oct. 4, 1904 |
| Chicago | Covenant | 526 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Chicago | Crescent | 895 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Chicago | Cyrene | 987 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Chicago | Damascus | 888 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Chicago | D. C. Cregier | 643 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Chicago | Dearborn | 310 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Chicago | East Gate | 923 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Chicago | Edgewater | 901 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Chicago | Emblem | 984 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Chicago (Englewood) | Englewood | 690 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Chicago | Equity | 878 | Oct. 3, 1905 |
| Chicago | Exemplar | 966 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Chicago | Federal | 961 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Chicago | Fernwood Park | 971 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Chicago (West Pullman) | Fides | 842 | Oct. 2, 1895 |
| Chicago | Fortitude | 1003 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Chicago | Garden City | 141 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Chicago | Garfield | 686 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Chicago | Gil. W. Barnard | 908 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Chicago | Germania | 182 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Chicago | Golden Rule | 726 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Chicago (G'nd Crossing) | Grand Crossing | 776 | Oct. 7, 1886 |
| Chicago (So. Chicago) | Harbor | 731 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Chicago | Herder | 669 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Chicago | Hesperia | 411 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Chicago | Hiram | 1009 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Chicago | Home | 508 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Chicago | Honor | 1010 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Chicago | Humboldt Park | 813 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Chicago | Hyde Park | 989 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Chicago | Integrity | 997 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago Jackson Park | JacksonPark | 915 | Oct. 13, 1909 |
| Chicago | John Paul Jones | 1013 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Chicago | John B. Sherman | 880 | Oct. 4, 1905 |
| Chicago | John C. Smith | 944 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Chicago | Justice | 949 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Chicago | Kenmore | 947 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Chicago (Kensington) | Kensington | 804 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Chicago | Kenwood | 800 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Chicago | Keystone | 639 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Chicago | Kilwinning | 311 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Chicago | King Oscar | 855 | Oct. 5, 1898 |
| Chicago | Kosmos | 896 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Chicago | Lakeside | 739 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Chicago | Lake View | 774 | Oct. 8, 1884 |
| Chicago | Landmark | 422 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Chicago (Chicago Lawn) | Lawn | 815 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Chicago | Lawndale | 995 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago | Lessing | 557 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Chicago (Franklin Park) | Leyden | 993 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago | Lincoln Park | 611 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Chicago | Logan Square | 891 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Chicago | Loyal | 1007 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Chicago | Maplewood | 964 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Chicago | Melrose Abbey | 976 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Chicago | Metropolitan | 860 | Oct. 1, 1901 |
| Chicago | Mithra | 410 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Chicago | Mizpah | 768 | Oct. 8, 1884 |
| Chicago | Morgan Park | 999 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago (Irving Park) | Myrtle | 795 | Oct. 8, 1890 |
| Chicago | Mystic Star | 758 | Oct, 3, 1878 |
| Chicago | Niagara | 992 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago (Englewood) | Normal Park | 797 | Oct. 8, 1890 |
| Chicago | North Shore | 937 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Chicago | Ogden Park | 897 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Chicago | Old Glory | 975 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Chicago | Olympia | 864 | Oct. 8, 1903 |
| Chicago | Oriental | 33 | Oct. 9, 1845 |
| Chicago (Pullman) | Palace | 765 | Oct. 3, 1883 |
| Chicago | Parian | 977 | Oct. 14, 1914 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Chicago | (Rodgers Park) | 843 | Oct. 6, 1896 |
| Chicago | Park Manor | 899 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Chicago | Parkway | 1000 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Chicago | Paul Revere | 998 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago | Perseverance | 973 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Chicago | Pleiades | 478 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Chicago | Portage Park | 1002 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago | Progressive | 954 | Oct. 8, 1912 |
| Chicago | Prospect | 957 | Oct. 8, 1912 |
| Chicago | (Jefferson) | 711 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Chicago | Prudence | 958 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Chicago | Pyramid | 887 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Chicago | Rainbow | 972 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Chicago | (Ravenswood) | 777 | Oct. 7, 1886 |
| Chicago | Republic | 914 | Oct. 13, 1909 |
| Chicago | Richard Cole | 697 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Chicago | Siloam | 780 | Oct. 6, 1887 |
| Chicago | Sincerity | 982 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Chicago | South Gate | 968 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Chicago | South Park | 662 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Chicago | Square | 978 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Chicago | Standard | 873 | Oct. 4, 1904 |
| Chicago | St. Andrews | 863 | Oct. 8, 1902 |
| Chicago | St. Cecilia | 865 | Oct. 8, 1902 |
| Chicago | Sunrise | 996 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago | Thos. J. Turner | 409 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Chicago (Tracy) | Tracy | 810 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Chicago | (So. Chicago) | 767 | Oct. 8, 1884 |
| Chicago | Trowel | 981 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Chicago | True Blue | 994 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Chicago | Union Park | 610 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Chicago | Universal | 985 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Chicago | Utopia | 894 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Chicago | Veritas | 926 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Chicago | Waldeck | 674 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Chicago | Washi'gton Park | 956 | Oct. 18, 1912 |
| Chicago | Waubansia | 160 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Chicago | Welcome | 916 | Oct. 13, 1909 |
| Chicago | Welfare | 991 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Chicago | (Windsor Park) | 836 | Oct. 3, 1894 |
| Chicago | Wm. B. Warren | 209 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Chicago | Wm. McKinley | 876 | Oct. 4, 1904 |
| Chicago | (Woodlawn Pk) | 841 | Oct. 2, 1895 |
| Chicago | (Wright's Gro.) | 779 | Oct. 7, 1886 |
| Chicago Heights | Chicago Heights | 851 | Oct. 6, 1897 |
| Chillicothe | Geo. Washington | 222 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Chrisman | Bloomfield | 148 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Cicero | Cicero | 955 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Cisco | Cisco | 965 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Clay City | Clay City | 488 | Oct, 3, 1866 |
| Clayton | Clayton | 147 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Clifton | Clifton | 688 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Clinton | DeWitt | 84 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Coal Valley | Valley | 547 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Cobden | Cobden | 466 | Oct, 3, 1866 |
| Coffeen | Coffeen | 906 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Cohn | New Hope | 620 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Colchester | Colchester | 496 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Colfax | Colfax | 799 | May 14, 1891 |
| Collinsville | Collinsville | 712 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Collison | Collison | 714 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Colono | Clement | 680 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Columbia | Columbia | 474 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Columbus | Columbus | 227 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Compton | Brooklyn | 282 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Concord | N. D. Morse | 346 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Corinth | Andrew Jackson | 487 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Cornell | Cornell | 868 | Oct. 7, 1903 |
| Cornland | Cornland | 808 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Cottonwood | Cottonwood | 920 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Cowden | Joppa | 706 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Creal Springs | Creal Springs | 817 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Creston | Creston | 320 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Crete | Crete | 763 | Oct. 4, 1882 |
| Crystal Lake | Nunda | 169 | Oct. 4, 1855 |
| Cuba | Cuba | 534 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Cypress | Stone Arch | 953 | Oct. 8, 1912 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Dahlgren | Dahlgren | 967 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Dallas City | Dallas City | 235 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Danvers | Danvers | 742 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Danville | Anchor | 980 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Danville | Olive Branch | 38 | Oct. 6, 1846 |
| Davis | Evening Star | 414 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Dawson | Dawson | 556 | Oct. 1, 1857 |
| Decatur | Ionic | 312 | Oct 5, 1859 |
| Decatur | Macon | 8 | Oct. 5, 1841 |
| Decatur | Stephen Decatur | 979 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| De Kalb | De Kalb | 144 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| De Land | De Land | 812 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Delavan | Delavan | 156 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Denver | Denver | 464 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Depue | Depue | 951 | Oct. 8, 1912 |
| De Soto | De Soto | 287 | Oct. 7, 1858 |
| Des Plaines | Des Plaines | 890 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Dewitt | Amon | 261 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Diona | Hutton | 698 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Dix | Rome | 721 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Dixon | Friendship | 7 | Oct. 6, 1841 |
| Dongola | Dongola | 581 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Donnelson | Donnelson | 255 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Donovan | Donovan | 952 | Oct. 8, 1912 |
| Downers Grove | Grove | 824 | Oct. 4, 1893 |
| Dundee | Dundee | 190 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Duquoin | DuQuoin | 234 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Durand | Durand | 302 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Dwight | Livingston | 371 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Earlville | Meridian | 183 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| East Dubuque | Martin | 491 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| East Moline | East Moline | 969 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| East St. Louis | East St. Louis | 504 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| East St. Louis | Gothic | 852 | Oct. 6, 1897 |
| Eaton | Crawford | 666 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Eddyville | Eddyville | 672 | Oct 3, 1871 |
| Edgewood | Edgewood | 484 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Edinburg | Blueville | 647 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Edwardsville | Edwardsville | 99 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Effingham | Effingham | 149 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Elburn | Blackberry | 359 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| El Dara | El Dara | 388 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Eldorado | Eldorado | 730 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Elgin | Elgin | 117 | Oct. 4, 1852 |
| Elgin | Monitor | 522 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Elkhart | Elkhart | 903 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Elizabeth | Kavanaugh | 36 | Oct. 6, 1846 |
| Elizabethtown | Elizabeth | 276 | Oct. 10, 1858 |
| Elmhurst | Elmhurst | 941 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Elmwood | Horeb | 363 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| El Paso | El Paso | 246 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Elvaston | Elvaston | 715 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Elwood | Elwood | 919 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Enfield | Enfield | 677 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Equality | Equality | 2 | Aug. , 1837 |
| Erie | Erie | 667 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Etna | Wabash | 179 | Oct. 2, 1855 |
| Eureka | William C. Hobbs | 306 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Evanston | Evans | 524 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Evanston | Wayfarers | 1001 | Oct. 11, 1916 |
| Evansville | Kaskaskia | 86 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Ewing | Ewing | 705 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Exeter | Exeter | 424 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Fairbury | Tarbolton | 351 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Fairfield | Fairfield | 206 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Fairmount | Fairmount | 590 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Fairview | Fairview | 350 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Fairweather | Kingston | 266 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Farina | Farina | 601 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Farmer City | Farmer City | 710 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Farmington | Farmington | 192 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Fieldon | Fieldon | 592 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Fillmore | Fillmore | 670 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Findlay | Findlay | 831 | Oct. 4, 1893 |
| Fisher | Sangamon | 801 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Flat Rock | Flat Rock | 348 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Flora | Flora | 204 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Forrest | Forrest | 614 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Franklin | Wadley | 616 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Franklin Grove | Franklin Grove | 264 | Oct. 6 1858 |
| Freeburg | Freeburg | 418 | Oct. 5 1864 |
| Freedom | Freedom | 194 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Freeport | Evergreen | 170 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Freeport | Excelsior | 97 | Oct. 6, 1851 |

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| POSTOFFICE. | NAME. | NO. | CHARTERED. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Fulton | Fulton City | 189 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Galena | Miners | 273 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Galesburg | Alpha | 155 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Galesburg | Vesper | 584 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Galatia | Galatia | 684 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Galva | Galva | 243 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Ganntown | New Columbia | 336 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Gays | Miles Hart | 595 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Gardner | Gardner | 573 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Geneseo | Stewart | 92 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Geneva | Geneva | 139 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Genoa | Genoa | 288 | Oct. 7, 1858 |
| Georgetown | Russell | 154 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Gibson City | Gibson | 733 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Gillespie | Gillespie | 214 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Gilman | Gilman | 591 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Girard | Girard | 171 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Glasford | Lancaster | 106 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Glencoe | Glencoe | 983 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Glenellyn | Glen Ellyn | 950 | Oct. 8, 1912 |
| Golconda | Golconda | 131 | Oct. 4, 1853 |
| Golden | LaPrairie | 267 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Goldengate | Molenna | 925 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Good Hope | Good Hope | 617 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Goreville | Saline | 339 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Grafton | Full Moon | 341 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Grand Chain | Grand Chain | 660 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Grand Tower | Lafayette | 657 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Granite City | Granite City | 877 | Oct. 4, 1904 |
| Granite City | Triple | 835 | Oct. 3, 1894 |
| Grant Park | Grant Park | 928 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Grayslake | Rising Sun | 115 | Oct. 4, 1852 |
| Grayville | Sheba | 200 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Greenfield | Greenfield | 129 | Oct. 3, 1853 |
| Greenup | Greenup | 125 | Oct. 3, 1853 |
| Greenview | Greenview | 653 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Greenville | Greenville | 245 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Griggsville | Griggsville | 45 | Oct. 5, 1847 |
| Grove City | Fisher | 585 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Grand Chain | Grand Chain | 660 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Grantsburg | Gurney | 778 | Oct. 7, 1886 |
| Hegewisch | Pyramid | 887 | |
| Hamburg | West Gate | 856 | Oct. 4, 1899 |
| Hamilton | Black Hawk | 238 | Oct. 7 1857 |
| Hamletsburg | Bay City | 771 | Oct. 8, 1884 |
| Hampshire | Hampshire | 443 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Hanover | Hanover | 905 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Hardin | Calhoun | 792 | Oct. 3, 1898 |
| Hardinville | Hardinville | 756 | Oct. 3, 1878 |
| Harrisburg | Harrisburg | 325 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Harristown | Summit | 431 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Harvard | Harvard | 309 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Harvey | Harvey | 832 | Oct. 3, 1894 |
| Havana | Havana | 88 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Hazel Dell | Hazel Dell | 580 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Hebron | Hebron | 604 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Henry | Henry | 119 | Oct. 4, 1852 |
| Herrick | Clover Leaf | 990 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Herrin | Herrins Prairie | 693 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Heyworth | Heyworth | 251 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Highland | Highland | 583 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Highland Park | A. O. Fay | 676 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Hillsboro | Mt. Moriah | 51 | Oct. 4, 1848 |
| Hinckley | Hinckley | 301 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Hindsboro | Hindsboro | 837 | Oct. 4, 1894 |
| Hinsdale | Hinsdale | 943 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Holcomb | Meridian Sun | 505 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Homer | Homer | 199 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Hoopeston | Star | 709 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Hooppole | Hooppole | 886 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Hopedale | Hopedale | 622 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Hull | Hull | 910 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Hume | Edgar | 829 | Oct. 4, 1893 |
| Huntsville | Huntsville | 465 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Hurst | Hurst | 1004 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Hutsonville | Hutsonville | 136 | Oct. 5, 1853 |
| Illiopolis | Illiopolis | 521 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Indianola | Vermilion | 265 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Industry | Industry | 327 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Iola | Iola | 691 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Ipava | Ipava | 213 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Iroquois | O. H. Miner | 506 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Irving | Irving | 455 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Iuka | J. D. Moody | 510 | Oct. 3, 1866 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Jacksonville | Harmony | 3 | 1838 |
| Jacksonville | Jacksonville | 570 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Jeffersonville | Jeffersonville | 460 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Jerseyville | Jerseyville | 394 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Johnsonville | Johnsonville | 713 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Johnston City | Lake Creek | 729 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Joliet | Matteson | 175 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Joliet | Mt. Joliet | 42 | Oct. 8, 1846 |
| Jonesboro | Jonesboro | 111 | Oct 7, 1851 |
| Joy | Joy | 946 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Kane | King Solomon | 197 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Kankakee | Kankakee | 389 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Kansas | Kansas | 280 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Karbers Ridge | Tadmor | 794 | Oct. 8, 1890 |
| Kell | R. F. Casey | 948 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Kenney | Henderson | 820 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Kewanee | Kewanee | 159 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Keithsburg | Robert Burns | 113 | Oct. 7, 1851 |
| Kinderhook | Kinderhook | 353 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Kingston | Kishwaukee | 402 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Kinmundy | Kinmundy | 398 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Kirkland | Boyd D. | 857 | Oct. 2, 1900 |
| Kirkwood | Abraham Lincoln | 518 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Knoxville | Pacific | 66 | Mar. 25, 1896 |
| Lacon | Lacon | 61 | Oct. 4, 1848 |
| LaFayette | Stark | 501 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| LaGrange | La Grange | 770 | Oct. 8, 1884 |
| LaHarpe | La Harpe | 195 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Lamoille | La Moille | 383 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Lanark | Lanark | 423 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| LaSalle | Acacia | 67 | Dec. 10, 1849 |
| Latham | Latham | 853 | Oct. 6, 1897 |
| Lawrenceville | Edward Dobbins | 164 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Lebanon | Lebanon | 110 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Lee Center | Lee Center | 146 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Leland | Leland | 558 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Lena | Lena | 174 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Lerna | Lerna | 788 | Oct. 3, 1889 |
| Le Roy | Le Roy | 221 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Lewistown | Lewistown | 104 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Lexington | Lexington | 482 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Liberty | Liberty | 380 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Libertyville | Libertyville | 492 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Lickcreek | Union | 627 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Lima | Lima | 135 | Oct. 4, 1853 |
| Lincoln | Logan | 210 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Lisbon | Orient | 323 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Litchfield | Charter Oak | 236 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Litchfield | Litchfield | 517 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Littleton | Littleton | 766 | Oct. 3, 1883 |
| Loami | Loami | 450 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Lockport | Lockport | 538 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Loda | Abraham Jonas | 316 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| London Mills | London | 848 | Oct. 5, 1897 |
| Long Point | Long Point | 552 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Loraine | Loraine | 893 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Lostant | Lostant | 870 | Oct. 7, 1903 |
| Louisville | Louisville | 196 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Lovington | Lovington | 228 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Ludlow | Pera | 574 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Lyndon | Lyndon | 750 | Oct. 4, 1877 |
| Lynnville | Gill | 382 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| McHenry | McHenry | 158 | Oct. 3, 1854 |
| McLean | McLean | 469 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| McLeansboro | Polk | 137 | Oct. 5, 1853 |
| Macedonia | Royal | 807 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Mackinaw | Mackinaw | 132 | Oct. 4, 1853 |
| Macomb | Macomb | 17 | Oct. 2, 1843 |
| Macon | South Macon | 467 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Magnolia | Magnolia | 103 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Mahomet | Mahomet | 220 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Makanda | Makanda | 434 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Manchester | Manchester | 229 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Manito | Manito | 476 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Manlius | Manlius | 933 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Maple Park | Maple Park | 942 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Mansfield | Mansfield | 773 | Oct. 8, 1884 |
| Maquon | Maquon | 530 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Marcelline | Marcelline | 114 | Oct. 7, 1851 |
| Marengo | Marengo | 138 | Oct. 5, 1853 |
| Marine | Marine | 355 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Marion | Fellowship | 89 | Oct 8, 1850 |
| Marissa | Marissa | 881 | Oct. 4, 1905 |
| Maroa | Maroa | 454 | Oct. 4, 1865 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Marseilles | Marseilles | 417 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Marshall | Marshall | 133 | Oct. 4, 1853 |
| Martinsville | Clark | 603 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Martinton | Martinton | 845 | Oct. 6, 1895 |
| Mascoutah | Douglas | 361 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Mason | Mason | 217 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Mason City | Mason City | 403 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Mattoon | Mattoon | 260 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Maywood | Maywood | 869 | Oct. 7, 1903 |
| Mazon | Mazon | 826 | Oct. 4, 1893 |
| Mechanicsburg | Carlock | 904 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Medora | Fidelity | 152 | Oct. 3, 1854 |
| Melvin | Melvin | 811 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Mendon | Mendon | 449 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Mendota | Mendota | 176 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Meredosia | Benevolent | 52 | Oct. 3, 1848 |
| Metropolis City | Metropolis | 91 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Milan | Eureka | 69 | Oct. 4, 1849 |
| Milford | Milford | 168 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Milledgeville | Milledgeville | 345 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Milton | Milton | 275 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Minier | Comet | 641 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Minonk | Rob Morris | 247 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Minooka | Minooka | 528 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Modesto | Nifong | 874 | Oct. 4, 1904 |
| Moline | Doric | 319 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Momence | Momence | 481 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Monmouth | Monmouth | 37 | Oct. 6, 1846 |
| Monticello | Fraternal | 58 | Oct. 4, 1848 |
| Montrose | Prairie City | 578 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Morris | Cedar | 124 | Oct. 3, 1853 |
| Morrison | Dunlap | 321 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Morrisonville | Morrisonville | 681 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Morton | Groveland | 352 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Mound City | Trinity | 562 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Mount Auburn | Kedron | 340 | Oct. 2, 1860 |
| Mt Carmel | Mt. Carmel | 239 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Mt. Carroll | Cyrus | 188 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Mt. Erie | Mt. Erie | 331 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Mt. Morris | Samuel H. Davis | 96 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Mt. Pulaski | Mt. Pulaski | 87 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Mount Sterling | Hardin | 44 | Oct. 5, 1847 |
| Mt. Vernon | Mt. Vernon | 31 | Oct. 9, 1845 |
| Moweaqua | Moweaqua | 180 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Mulberry Grove | Gilham | 809 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Murphysboro | Murphysboro | 498 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Naperville | Euclid | 65 | Oct. 2, 1849 |
| Nashville | Washington | 55 | Oct. 4, 1848 |
| Nebo | Nebo | 806 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Neoga | Neoga | 279 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Neponset | Neponset | 803 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| New Boston | New Boston | 59 | Oct. 4, 1848 |
| New Burnside | New Burnside | 772 | Oct. 8, 1884 |
| New Canton | New Canton | 821 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| New Douglas | Madison | 560 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| New Hartford | New Hartford | 453 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| New Haven | New Haven | 230 | Oct. 8, 1857 |
| New Holland | New Holland | 741 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Newman | Newman | 369 | Oct. 2, 1861 |
| New Salem | New Salem | 218 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Newton | Newton | 216 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| New Windsor | Oxford | 367 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Noble | Noble | 362 | Oct. 2, 1861 |
| Nokomis | Nokomis | 456 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Normal | Normal | 673 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Norris City | May | 718 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Oakland | Oakland | 219 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Oakwood | Free Will | 872 | Oct. 4, 1904 |
| Oak Park | Circle | 938 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Oak Park | Fair Oaks | 1006 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Oak Park | Oak Park | 540 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Oblong | Oblong City | 644 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Oconee | Oconee | 392 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Odell | Odell | 401 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Odin | Odin | 503 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| O'Fallon | O'Fallon | 576 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Ogden | Ogden | 754 | Oct. 4, 1877 |
| Ohio | Ohio | 814 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Olney | Olney | 140 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Omaha | Omaha | 723 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Onarga | Onarga | 305 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Oneida | Oneida | 337 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Opdyke | Jefferson | 368 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Oquawka | Oquawka | 123 | Oct. 3, 1853 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Orangeville | Orangeville | 687 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Oregon | Oregon | 420 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Orion | Sherman | 535 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Oswego | Raven | 303 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Ottawa | Humboldt | 555 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Ottawa | Occidental | 40 | Oct. 7, 1846 |
| Owaneco | Locust | 623 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Palatine | Palatine | 314 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Palestine | Palestine | 849 | Oct. 6, 1897 |
| Palmyra | Palmyra | 463 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Pana | Pana | 226 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Paris | Paris | 268 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Paris | Prairie | 77 | Oct. 4, 1849 |
| Parkersburg | Parkersburg | 509 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Park Ridge | Park Ridge | 988 | Oct. 13, 1915 |
| Patoka | Patoka | 613 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Pawnee | Pawnee | 675 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Pawpaw | Corinthian | 205 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Paxton | Paxton | 416 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Payson | Payson | 379 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Pearl | Pleasant View | 940 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Pearl City | Pearl | 823 | Oct. 4, 1893 |
| Pecatonica | A. W. Rawson | 145 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Pekin | Empire | 126 | Oct. 3. 1853 |
| Pekin | Pekin | 29 | May 26, 1845 |
| Peoria | Illinois | 263 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Peoria | Joseph Robbins | 930 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Peoria | Peoria | 15 | Oct. 4, 1842 |
| Peoria | Schiller | 335 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Peoria | Temple | 46 | Oct. 5, 1847 |
| Peotone | Peotone | 636 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Perry | Perry | 95 | Oct. 10, 1850 |
| Peru | St. John's | 13 | Oct. 4, 1842 |
| Petersburg | Clinton | 19 | Oct. 3, 1843 |
| Philo | Centennial | 747 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Pilot | Newtown | 714 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Pinckneyville | Mitchell | 85 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Pittsfield | Pittsfield | 790 | Oct. 3, 1889 |
| Piper City | Piper | 608 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Plainfield | Plainfield | 536 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Plainview | Plainview | 461 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Plainville | Adams | 529 | Oct 1, 1867 |
| Plano | Sunbeam | 428 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Pleasant Hill | Pleasant Hill | 565 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Pleasant Plains | Pleasant Plains | 700 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Plymouth | Plymouth | 286 | Oct. 7, 1858 |
| Pocahontas | Gordon | 473 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Polo | Mystic Tie | 187 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Pontiac | Pontiac | 294 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Pontoosuc | Herrick | 193 | Oct. 6, 1856 |
| Port Byron | Philo | 436 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Potomac | Potomac | 782 | Oct. 6, 1887 |
| Prairie City | Golden Gate | 248 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Preemption | Preemption | 755 | Oct. 4, 1877 |
| Princeton | Princeton | 587 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Princeville | Princeville | 360 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Prophetstown | Prophetstown | 293 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Pulaski | Caledonia | 47 | Oct. 5, 1847 |
| Quincy | Bodley | 1 | Aug. 30, 1836 |
| Quincy | Herman | 39 | Oct. 6, 1846 |
| Quincy | Lambert | 659 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Quincy | Quincy | 296 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Raleigh | Raleigh | 128 | Oct. 3, 1853 |
| Ramsey | Ramsey | 405 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Rankin | Rankin | 725 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Rantoul | Rantoul | 470 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Raritan | Raritan | 727 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Raymond | Raymond | 692 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Red Bud | Red Bud | 427 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Richmond | Richmond | 143 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Ridge Farm | Ridge Farm | 632 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Ridgway | Ridgway | 816 | Oct. 5, 1892 |
| Rio | Rio | 685 | Oct. 1, 1872 |
| Riverside | Riverside | 862 | Oct. 8, 1902 |
| Riverton | Riverton Union | 786 | Oct. 3, 1888 |
| Robinson | Robinson | 250 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Rochelle | Horicon | 244 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Rochester | Rochester | 635 | Oct. 5. 1869 |
| Rock Falls | Rock Falls | 936 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Rockford | E. F. W. Ellis | 633 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Rockford | Rockford | 102 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Rockford | Star in the East | 166 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Rock Island | Rock Island | 658 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Rock Island | Trio | 57 | Oct. 3, 1848 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Rockport | Rockport | 830 | Oct. 4, 1893 |
| Rockton | Rockton | 74 | Oct. 4, 1849 |
| Roodhouse | E. M. Husted | 796 | Oct. 8, 1890 |
| Roscoe | Roscoe | 75 | Oct. 4, 1849 |
| Roseville | Roseville | 519 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Rossville | Rossville | 527 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Rushville | Rushville | 9 | Oct. 3, 1842 |
| Russell | Antioch | 127 | Oct. 3, 1853 |
| Rutland | Rutland | 477 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Sadorus | J. R. Gorin | 537 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Salem | Marion | 130 | Oct. 4, 1853 |
| Sandoval | Sandoval | 932 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Sandwich | Meteor | 283 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| San Jose | San Jose | 645 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Saunemin | Saunemin | 738 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Savanna | Mississippi | 385 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Saybrook | Cheney's Grove | 468 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Scottland | Scott Land | 743 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Scottville | Scottville | 426 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Seaton | Charity | 838 | Oct. 2, 1895 |
| Seneca | Seneca | 532 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Sesser | Sesser | 918 | Oct. 12, 1910 |
| Shabbona | Shabbona | 374 | Oct. 8, 1862 |
| Shannon | Shannon | 496 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Shawneetown | Warren | 14 | Oct. 5, 1842 |
| Sheffield | Ames | 142 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Shelbyville | Jackson | 53 | Oct. 4, 1848 |
| Sheldon | Sheldon | 609 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Sheridan | Sheridan | 735 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Shipman | Shipman | 212 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Shirley | Shirley | 582 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Sibley | Sibley | 761 | Oct. 6, 1881 |
| Sidell | Sidell | 798 | Oct. 8, 1890 |
| Sidney | Sidney | 347 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Silvis | Silvis | 898 | Oct. 2, 1907 |
| Somonauk | Somonauk | 646 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Sorento | Sorento | 861 | Oct 1, 1901 |
| Sparland | Sparland | 441 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Sparta | Hope | 162 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Speer | Lawn Ridge | 415 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Springfield | Central | 71 | Oct. 4, 1849 |
| Springfield | Springfield | 4 | Oct. 28, 1839 |
| Springfield | St. Paul's | 500 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Springfield | Tyrian | 333 | Oct. 2, 1860 |
| Springvalley | S. M. Dalzell | 805 | Oct. 6, 1891 |
| Staunton | Staunton | 177 | Oct. 2, 1855 |
| Steeleville | Alma | 497 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Sterling | Rock River | 612 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Steward | Alto | 902 | Oct. 7, 1908 |
| Stewardson | Stewardson | 541 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| St. Charles | Unity | 48 | Oct. 5, 1847 |
| St. Elmo | St. Elmo | 769 | Oct. 8, 1884 |
| St. Francisville | Stellar | 912 | Oct. 13, 1909 |
| St. Joseph | St. Joseph | 970 | Oct. 14, 1914 |
| Stockton | Plum River | 554 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Stonefort | Stone Fort | 495 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Streator | Streator | 607 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Stronghurst | Stronghurst | 847 | Oct. 6, 1896 |
| Sublette | Sublette | 349 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Sullivan | Sullivan | 764 | Oct. 3, 1883 |
| Summerfield | Summerfield | 342 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Sumner | Sumner | 334 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| Sycamore | Sycamore | 134 | Oct. 4, 1853 |
| Table Grove | Table Grove | 939 | Oct. 10. 1911 |
| Tamaroa | Tamaroa | 207 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Tampico | Yorktown | 655 | Oct. 4, 1870 |
| Taylorville | Mound | 122 | Oct. 5, 1852 |
| Temple Hill | Temple Hill | 701 | Oct. 8, 1873 |
| Thompsonville | Akin | 749 | Oct. 4, 1877 |
| Thomson | Thomson | 559 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Time | Time | 569 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Timewell | Kendrick | 430 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Tiskilwa | Sharon | 550 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Toledo | Toledo | 834 | Oct. 3, 1894 |
| Tolono | Tolono | 391 | Oct. 8, 1863 |
| Tonica | Tonica | 364 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Toulon | Toulon | 93 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Towanda | Towanda | 542 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Tower Hill | Tower Hill | 493 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Tremont | Tremont | 462 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Trenton | Trenton | 109 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Trilla | Muddy Point | 396 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Troy | Troy | 588 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Troy Grove | Shiloh | 397 | Oct. 5, 1864 |

## ALPHABETICAL LIST OF POSTOFFICES—*Continued*

| POSTOFFICE | NAME | NO. | CHARTERED |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tunnell Hill | Reynoldsburg | 419 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Tuscola | Tuscola | 332 | Oct. 2, 1860 |
| Union | Orion | 358 | Oct. 1, 1861 |
| Urbana | Urbana | 157 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Utica | Utica | 858 | Oct. 2, 1900 |
| Valier | Goode | 744 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Vandalia | Temperance | 16 | Dec. 10, 184? |
| Vermilion | Stratton | 408 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Vermont | Vermont | 116 | Oct. 4, 1852 |
| Verona | Verona | 757 | Oct. 3, 1878 |
| Versailles | Versailles | 108 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Victoria | A. T. Darrah | 793 | Oct. 8, 1890 |
| Vienna | Vienna | 150 | Oct. 2, 1854 |
| Villa Grove | Villa Grove | 885 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Viola | Viola | 577 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Virden | Virden | 161 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Virginia | Virginia | 544 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Walnut | Walnut | 722 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Walpole | Tuscan | 630 | Oct. 5, 1869 |
| Walshville | Walshville | 475 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Waltham | Waltham | 384 | Oct 8, 1863 |
| Warren | Jo Daviess | 278 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Warrensburg | Warrensburg | 959 | Oct. 15, 1913 |
| Warsaw | Warsaw | 257 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Washburn | Washburn | 421 | Oct. 5, 1864 |
| Washington | Taylor | 98 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Wataga | Wataga | 291 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Waterloo | Morris | 787 | Oct. 3, 1889 |
| Waterman | Waterman | 728 | Oct. 5, 1875 |
| Watseka | Watseka | 446 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Watson | Watson | 602 | Oct. 6, 1868 |
| Wauconda | Wauconda | 298 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Waukegan | Waukegan | 78 | Oct. 4, 1849 |
| Waverly | Waverly | 118 | Oct. 4, 1852 |
| Wayne City | Orel | 759 | Oct. 9, 1879 |
| Waynesville | Wayne | 172 | Oct. 3, 1855 |
| Weldon | Weldon | 746 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Wenona | Wenona | 344 | Oct. 3, 1860 |
| West Chicago | Amity | 472 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| West Frankfort | Frankfort | 567 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| West Point | Dills | 295 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| West Salem | West Salem | 866 | Oct. 8, 1902 |
| West Union | York | 313 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Wheaton | Wheaton | 269 | Oct. 6, 1858 |
| Wheeler | Wheeler | 883 | Oct. 3, 1906 |
| Wheeling | Vitruvius | 81 | Oct. 10, 1850 |
| White Hall | White Hall | 80 | Oct. 8, 1850 |
| Williamsville | Lavely | 203 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Willmette | Willmette | 931 | Oct. 10, 1911 |
| Willow Hill | Cooper | 489 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Wilmington | Wilmington | 208 | Oct. 7, 1856 |
| Winchester | Winchester | 105 | Oct. 6, 1851 |
| Windsor | Windsor | 322 | Oct. 5, 1859 |
| Winnebago | Winnebago | 745 | Oct. 3, 1876 |
| Winslow | Winslow | 564 | Oct. 1, 1867 |
| Winterrowd | Mayo | 664 | Oct. 3, 1871 |
| Wolf Creek | Chapel Hill | 719 | Oct. 7, 1874 |
| Woodhull | Woodhull | 502 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Woodson | Murrayville | 432 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Woodson | Woodson | 1011 | Oct. 11, 1917 |
| Woodstock | St. Mark's | 263 | Oct. 4, 1848 |
| Wyanet | Wyanet | 231 | Oct. 7, 1857 |
| Wyoming | Wyoming | 479 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Xenia | Xenia | 485 | Oct. 3, 1866 |
| Yates City | Yates City | 448 | Oct. 4, 1865 |
| Yorkville | Kendall | 471 | Oct. 3, 1866 |

## DEFUNCT LODGES.

| NO. | NAME. | LOCATION. | COUNTY. | CHARTERED | BECAME DEF'T | REMARKS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | Far West | Galena | Jo Daviess | April 29, 1840 | | Charter was never issued |
| 6 | Columbus | Columbus | Adams | April 29, 1840 | 1845-6 | Surrendered |
| 10 | Joliet | Joliet | Will | Oct. 5, 1841 | Oct. 15, 1845 | Revoked |
| 11 | Cass | Virginia | Cass | Oct. 4, 1842 | | Rescinded and continued U. D. |
| 12 | Rising Sun | Montrose | Iowa* | Oct. 4, 1843 | Oct. 3, 1843 | Suspended |
| 18 | La Fayette | Chicago | Cook | Oct. 2, 1843 | Oct. 1864 | Arrested |
| 21 | Warsaw | Warsaw | Hancock | Oct. 2, 1843 | May 9, 1847 | Surrendered |
| 22 | Milwaukee | Milwaukee | Wisconsin* | Oct. 2, 1843 | | Transferred to Jurisdiction of Wisconsin |
| 26 | Hiram | Henderson | Knox | Oct. 7, 1844 | March 22, 1902 | Arrested |
| 28 | Monroe | Waterloo | Monroe | Oct. 2, 1844 | 1874-5 | Arrested |
| 30 | Morning Star | Canton | Fulton | Oct. 6, 1845 | July, 1875 | Arrested |
| 32 | Apollo | Chicago | Cook | Oct. 6, 1845 | Oct. 1848 | Surrendered |
| 41 | Far West | Galena | Jo Daviess | Oct. 8, 1846 | Oct. 6, 1852 | Forfeited |
| 54 | Reclamation | Nauvoo | Hancock | Oct. 2, 1848 | July 5, 1882 | Surrendered |
| 56 | Pittsfield | Pittsfield | Pike | Oct. 2, 1848 | Oct. 27, 1886 | Forfeited |
| 62 | Jerusalem | Oregon | Ogle | Oct. 3, 1848 | Oct. 4, 1853 | Forfeited |
| 68 | Naples | Naples | Scott | Oct. 2, 1849 | Sept. 16, 1892 | Arrested |
| 70 | Social | Hennepin | Putnam | Oct. 1849 | Jan. 23, 1889 | Surrendered |
| 73 | Batavia | Batavia | Kane | Oct. 1849 | 1859‡ | Surrendered |
| 82 | Metamora | Metamora | Woodford | Oct. 8, 1850 | 1884-85 | Surrendered |
| 83 | Iroquois | Middleport | Iroquois | Oct. 8, 1850 | 1856‡ | No record |
| 94 | Morning Sun | Jerseyville | Jersey | Oct. 8, 1850 | 1862-63 | Surrendered |
| 101 | Madison | Upper Alton | Madison | Oct. 6, 1851 | 1861-62 | Surrendered |
| 107 | Fayette | Fayette | Greene | Oct. 6, 1851 | Aug. 16, 1875 | Arrested |
| 112 | Bureau | Princeton | Bureau | Oct. 2, 1851 | Feb. 2, 1911 | Consolidated with Princeton Lodge No. 587 |
| 120 | Jacksonville | Jacksonville | Morgan | Oct. 5, 1852 | 1854‡ | No record |
| 121 | Cataract | St. Anthony's Falls | Minnesota | Oct. 5, 1852 | | Transferred to Jurisdiction of Minnesota |
| 163 | Westfield | Westfield | Clark | Oct. 3, 1855 | Dec. 20, 1894 | Surrendered |
| 167 | Oswego | Oswego | Kendall | Oct. 2, 1855 | Feb. 7, 1859 | Surrendered |
| 181 | Moultrie | Sullivan | Moultrie | Oct. 2, 1855 | May 5, 1879 | Arrested |
| 184 | Nebraska | Belleview | Nebraska* | Oct. 3, 1855 | | Transferred to Jurisdiction of Nebraska |
| 186 | Fort Armstrong | Rock Island | Rock Island | Oct. 6, 1856 | March 9, 1863 | Consolidated with Trio No. 57 |
| 191 | Xenia | Xenia | Clay | Oct. 9, 1856 | July 27, 1871 | Surrendered |
| 198 | Grand View | Grand View / Dudley | Edgar | Oct. 6, 1856 | Feb. 9, 1889 | Surrendered |
| 202 | Sterling | Sterling | Whiteside | Oct. 6, 1856 | 1868 | Annulled |
| 215 | Weir | Six Mile | Madison | Oct. 7, 1856 | 1861-2 | Surrendered |
| 223 | Keeney | Edgington | Rock Island | Oct. 8, 1856 | Jan. 12, 1889 | Arrested |
| 224 | Mt. Pleasant | Mt. Pleasant / St Anna / Farmer City | De Witt | Oct. 8, 1856 | 1870-71 | No record |
| 225 | Owisco | Kankakee | Kankakee | Oct. 8, 1856 | 1862-63 | Surrendered |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 242 | Aegis | Annawan | Henry | Oct. 8, 1857 | May 13, 1859 | Arrested |
| 256 | Algonquin | Algonquin | McHenry | Oct. 6, 1858 | Jan. 21, 1880 | Surrendered |
| 258 | } Bonus | Bonus | Boone | Oct. 6, 1865 | | |
| | } Chemung | Chemung | McHenry | | Aug. 26, 1885 | Surrendered |
| 259 | New Berlin | New Berlin | Sangamon | Oct. 6, 1858 | 1874 | Surrendered |
| 281 | Martinsville | Martinsville | Clark | Oct. 6, 1858 | 1865‡ | Mo Record |
| 284 | Alton | Alton | Madison | Oct. 6, 1858 | May 4, 1874 | Consolidated with Piasa No. 27 |
| 289 | Iroquois | Middleport | Iroquois | Oct. 7, 1858 | 1860‡ | No record |
| 290 | Cache | Mound City | Pulaski | Oct. 7, 1858 | 1875‡ | No record |
| 299 | Mechanicsburg | Mechanicsburg | Sangamon | Oct. 5, 1859 | March 20, 1897 | Arrested |
| 300 | Hanover | Hanover | Jo Daviess | Oct. 5, 1859 | Jan. 7, 1887 | Surrendered |
| 304 | Cement | Utica | La Salle | Oct. 5, 1859 | 1883 | Surrendered |
| 315 | Erwin | Alton | Madison | Oct. 5, 1859 | Sept. 19, 1901 | Consolidated with Piasa No. 27 as Piasa No. 27 |
| 317 | New Liberty | New Liberty | Pope | Oct. 5, 1859 | Sept. 10, 1879 | Arrested |
| 324 | Waukegan | Waukegan | Lake | Oct. 5, 1859 | Feb. 5, 1864 | Cons'lid'ted with Union No.78 as Waukegan No.78 |
| 326 | Chemung | Chemung | McHenry | Oct. 5, 1859 | Dec. 23. 1861. | Cons'lid'ted with Bonus No.258 as Chemung No.258 |
| 328 | Grafton | Huntley | McHenry | Oct. 5, 1859 | April 11, 1884 | Surrendered |
| 329 | Durham | Durham | Hancock | Oct. 2, 1860 | 1868-69 | Surrendered |
| 338 | Grand Detour | Grand Detour | Ogle | Oct. 2, 1860 | 1877-78 | Arrested |
| 343 | Arcturus | Polo | Ogle | Oct. 2, 1860 | 1863‡ | No record |
| 357 | Eddy | Kingston | Peoria | Oct. 2, 1860 | 1869‡ | No record |
| 370 | Middleton | Middleton | Wayne | Oct. 8, 1862 | April 19, 1878 | Consolidated with Belle Rive No. 696 |
| 372 | Galesburg | Galesburg | Knox | Oct. 8, 1862 | Dec. 16, 1880 | Surrendered |
| 375 | Isaac Underhill | Secor | Woodford | Oct. 8, 1862 | 1874‡ | No record |
| 376 | Ash Grove | Ash Grove | Iroquois | Oct. 8, 1862 | 1869‡ | No record |
| 377 | Archimedes | Belleville | St. Clair | Oct. 8, 1863 | April 8, 1889 | Consolidated with St. Clair Lodge No. 24 |
| 381 | M. R. Thompson | Freeport | Stephenson | Oct. 8, 1863 | Jan. 7, 1890 | Consolidated with Excelsior Lodge No. 97 |
| 387 | Greenbush | Greenbush | Warren | Oct. 8, 1863 | May 28, 1889 | Arrested |
| | Youngstown | Youngstown | | | | |
| 395 | H. G. Reynolds | Whitefield | Bureau | Oct. 8, 1864 | May 26, 1880 | Surrendered |
| 400 | Pacific | Knoxville | Knox | Oct. 5. 1864 | March 24, 1896 | Conso'd'ted with Knoxville No. 66 as Pacific No.66 |
| 407 | Blue Grass | Blue Grass | Vermilion | Oct. 5, 1864 | April 12, 1882 | Arrested |
| | | Marysville | | | | |
| 412 | Bollen | Spring Hill | Whiteside | Oct. 5, 1864 | Dec. 20, 1915 | Consolidated with Erie No. 667 as Erie No. 667 |
| 413 | Forreston | Forreston | Ogle | Oct. 5, 1864 | Dec. 4, 1876 | Consolidated with S. H. Davis Lodge No. 96 |
| 425 | Kaneville | Kaneville | Kane | Oct. 4, 1865 | July, 1883 | Surrendered |
| 435 | Neponset | Neponset | Bureau | Oct. 4, 1865 | July 12 1881 | Surrendered |
| 438 | H. W. Bigelow | Chicago | Cook | Oct. 4, 1865 | March 27, 1875 | Surrendered |
| 439 | Luce | Quincy | Adams | Oct. 4, 1865 | Jan. 17, 1889 | Surrendered |
| 452 | Grant | Richview | Washington | Oct. 4, 1865 | July 21, 1887 | Surrendered |
| 457 | Moscow | Moscow | Union | Oct. 4, 1865 | July 9, 1898 | Arrested |
| 459 | Butler | Butler | Montgomery | Oct. 3, 1866 | May 18, 1887 | Surrendered |
| 480 | Logan | Lincoln | Logan | Oct. 3, 1866 | Sept. 26, 1889 | Consolidated with Lincoln No.210 as Logan No.210 |
| 483 | Belle City | Belle City | Hamilton | Oct. 3, 1866 | March 27, 1880 | Arrested |
| 494 | Bath | Bath | Mason | Oct. 3, 1866 | Dec. 19, 1895 | Surrendered |
| 499 | Mt. Zion | Mt. Zion | Macon | Oct. 3, 1866 | 1874-75 | Consolidated with Ionic Lodge No. 312 |
| 507 | Manteno | Manteno | Kankakee | Oct. 3, 1866 | March 14, 1878 | Arrested |
| 511 | Clintonville | South Elgin | Kane | Oct. 3, 1866 | April 7, 1897 | Consolidated with Elgin Lodge No. 117 |

## DEFUNCT LODGES.—*Continued.*

| NO. | NAME. | LOCATION. | COUNTY. | CHARTERED. | BECAME DEF'T | REMARKS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 513 | Cold Spring | Cold Spring | Shelby | Oct. 1, 1867 | July 27, 1882 | Arrested |
| 515 | Dement | Dement | Ogle | Oct. 1, 1867 | Jan. 25, 1886 | Consolidated with Malta No. 320 as Creston No. 320 |
| 525 | Delia | Ellittstown | Effingham | Oct. 1, 1867 | Jan. 12, 1911 | Consolidated with Mayo Lodge No. 664 |
| 543 | Cordova | Cordova | Rock Island | Oct. 1, 1867 | Dec. 17, 1915 | Surrendered |
| 545 | Elkhart | Elkhart | Logan | Oct 1, 1867 | Feb. 21, 1887 | Surrendered |
| 546 | Nilwood | Nilwood | Macoupin | Oct. 1, 1867 | 1876–77 | Surrendered |
| 548 | Apple River | Apple River | Jo Daviess | Oct. 1, 1867 | March 4, 1898 | Arrested |
| 549 | Newark | Newark | Kendall | Oct. 1, 1867 | 1884–5 | Surrendered |
| 551 | Darwin | Darwin | Clark | Oct. 1, 1867 | Aug. 25, 1887 | Surrendered |
| 553 | Kyle | Macomb | McDonough | Oct. 1, 1867 | 1876–77 | Surrendered |
| 561 | Trinity | Monmouth | Warren | Oct. 1, 1867 | Jan. 28, 1886 | Surrendered |
| 563 | Hamilton | Otterville | Jersey | Oct. 1, 1867 | 1886 | |
| 568 | Delta | Cairo | Alexander | Oct. 1, 1867 | Feb. 23, 1874 | Consolidated with Cairo Lodge No. 237 |
| 571 | Owlsco | Kankakee | Kankakee | Oct. 1, 1867 | 1869 | Surrendered |
| 579 | Elbridge | Ferrell | Edgar | Oct. 6, 1868 | May 15, 1897 | Surrendered |
| 586 | Tazewell | Delavan | Tazewell | Oct. 6, 1868 | 1874–75 | Consolidated with Delavan Lodge No. 156 |
| 589 | Elwood | Humbolt | Coles | Oct. 6, 1868 | July 18, 1891 | Surrendered |
| 593 | W. M. Egan | Jefferson | Cook | Oct. 6, 1868 | Aug. 1872 | Arrested |
| 594 | Lodi | Lodi | Kane | Oct. 6, 1868 | April 19, 1876 | Surrendered |
| 596 | National | Chicago | Cook | Oct. 6, 1868 | March 13, 1894 | Arrested |
| 597 | Lostant | Lostant | LaSalle | Oct. 6, 1868 | Jan. 14, 1888 | Surrendered |
| 598 | Dorchester | Dorchester | Macoupin | Oct. 6, 1868 | Oct. 29, 1884 | Surrendered |
| 599 | Fowler | Fowler | Adams | Oct 6, 1868 | Feb. 24, 1879 | Surrendered |
| 605 | Allen | Allen / Stanford | McLean | Oct 6, 1868 | May 5, 1886 | Arrested |
| 606 | Wapella | Wapella | DeWitt | Oct. 6, 1868 | May 26, 1874 | Surrendered |
| 615 | Anchor | Mason | Mason | Oct. 5, 1869 | 1874–75 | Consolidated with Mason City Lodge No. 403 |
| 619 | Berwick | Cameron | Warren | Oct. 5, 1869 | July 11, 1905 | Arrested |
| 621 | Venice | Venice | Madison | Oct. 5, 1869 | Aug. 21, 1886 | Surrendered |
| 624 | Dubois | Dubois | Washington | Oct. 5, 1869 | Sept. 1883 | Surrendered |
| 625 | Melrose | Melrose | Clark | Oct. 5, 1869 | May 4, 1877 | Arrested |
| 626 | Putnam | Granville | Putnam | Oct. 5, 1869 | Aug. 29, 1871‡ | No record |
| 628 | Mosaic | Hudson | McLean | Oct. 5, 1869 | Aug. 21, 1882 | Arrested |
| 629 | Old Time | Havana | Mason | Oct. 5, 1869 | Feb. 14, 1877 | Consolidatedwith Havana Lodge No. 88 |
| 637 | Burlington | Burlington | Kane | Oct. 6, 1869 | Dec. 21, 1876 | Surrendered |
| 638 | Fortitude | Sagetown | Henderson | Oct. 6, 1869 | March 10, 1884 | Arrested |
| 640 | Coleta | Coleta | Whiteside | Jan. 7, 1870 | 1874‡ | No record |
| 649 | Hinsdale | Hinsdale | DuPage | Oct. 4, 1870 | Feb. 16, 1895 | Arrested |
| 650 | Irvington | Irvington | Washington | Oct. 4, 1870 | Aug. 31 1891 | Surrendered |
| 652 | Polar Star | Mulkeytown | Franklin | Oct. 4, 1870 | Aug. 10 1888 | Arrested |
| 654 | Woodford | ElPaso | Woodford | Oct. 4, 1870 | March 5, 1877 | Surrendered |
| 661 | Bethesda | Potosi / Colfax | Llvingston / McLean | Oct. 5, 1870 | March 1, 1886 | Arrested |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 633 | Phoenix | Mapleton | Peoria | Oct. 3, 1871 | Feb. 12, 1901 | Arrested |
| 671 | Farina | Farina | Marion | Oct. 3, 1871 | April 1, 1880 | Surrendered |
| 678 | Sheffield | Sheffield<br>Rockbridge | Greene | Oct. 3, 1871 | May 20, 1886 | Arrested |
| 689 | Advance | Galva | Henry | Oct. 1, 1872 | Nov. 28, 1876 | Surrendered |
| 694 | Center | Pana | Christian | Oct. 1, 1872 | Jan. 14, 1887 | Surrendered |
| 699 | Libanus | Rosemond | Christian | Oct. 7, 1873 | Sept. 21, 1875. | Arrested |
| 703 | St. Andrews | Chicago | Cook | Oct. 8, 1873 | March 20, 1885. | Surrendered |
| 707 | Circle | Mattoon | Coles | Oct. 8, 1873 | April 23, 1896 | Consolidated with Mattoon Lodge No. 260 |
| 708 | Lemont | Lemont | Cook | Oct. 8, 1873 | Sept. 7, 1897 | Surrendered |
| 714 | Newtown | Collison | Vermilion | Oct. 7, 1874 | | Consl'd with Hopewell No. 844 as Collison 714 |
| 720 | Varna | Varna | Marshall | Oct. 7, 1874 | May 13, 1882 | Surrendered |
| 736 | Dennison | Dennison<br>McKeen | Clark | Oct. 3, 1876 | Dec. 22, 1888 | Surrendered |
| 740 | Grant Park | Grant Park | Kankakee | Oct. 3, 1876 | May 15, 1895 | Surrendered |
| 753 | Cornell | Cornell | Livingston | Oct. 2, 1877 | Sept. 1, 1888 | Arrested |
| 760 | Bellflower | Bellflower | McLean | Oct. 5, 1881 | July 13, 1886 | Surrendered |
| 775 | Omega | Charleston | Coles | Oct. 6, 1886 | Dec. 9, 1899 | Consolidated with Charleston Lodge No. 35 |
| 781 | Colchester | Colchester | McDonough | Oct. 6, 1886 | Jan. 21, 1902 | Consolidated with Tennessee Lodge No. 496 as Colchester Lodge, No. 496 |
| 785 | Stanford | Stanford | McLean | Oct. 3, 1888 | April 30, 1903. | Surrendered |
| 828 | Trinity | Mound City | Pulaski | Oct. 4, 1893 | Jan. 1, 1896 | Consol'd with Villa Ridge, No. 562 as Trinity No. 562 |
| 844 | Hopewell | Hope | Vermilion | Oct. 30, 1895 | | Consol'd with Newtown No 714 as Collison 714 |

*State. †Constituted; no date given when chartered. ‡Records cease.

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Raised | Reinstated | Admitted | Added for Error | | Suspended | Expelled | Dimitted | Died | Ded. for Error | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Bodley | 341 | 14 | ... | 3 | ... | 17 | 4 | ... | 13 | 3 | ... | 20 | 338 | 337.00 | 2 | 15 | 14 | 278 | 60 | 97.44 | 38.05 | ..... | ..... |
| 2 | Equality | 47 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 47 | 47.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 40 | 7 | 54.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 3 | Harmony | 259 | 10 | 1 | 4 | ... | 15 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 6 | 268 | 268.00 | 6 | 11 | 10 | 242 | 26 | 80.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 4 | Springfield | 289 | 12 | 1 | 2 | ... | 15 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 3 | ... | 10 | 294 | 294.00 | 8 | 14 | 10 | 260 | 34 | 16.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 7 | Friendship | 307 | 71 | 2 | 5 | ... | 78 | 5 | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 12 | 373 | 373.00 | 3 | 83 | 74 | 338 | 35 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 8 | Macon | 756 | 53 | ... | 7 | ... | 60 | 3 | ... | 4 | 14 | ... | 21 | 795 | 795.00 | 19 | 41 | 48 | 664 | 131 | 633.53 | 190.85 | ..... | ..... |
| 9 | Rushville | 129 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 131 | 131.00 | ... | 7 | 6 | 122 | 9 | 68.25 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 13 | St. John's | 138 | 15 | ... | 1 | ... | 16 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 5 | 149 | 149.00 | 2 | 11 | 14 | 131 | 18 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 14 | Warren | 60 | 2 | 3 | ... | ... | 5 | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 7 | 58 | 58.00 | ... | 2 | 3 | 45 | 13 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 15 | Peoria | 624 | 23 | 2 | 3 | ... | 28 | 7 | ... | 5 | 8 | ... | 20 | 632 | 632.00 | 7 | 27 | 27 | 554 | 78 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 16 | Temperance | 115 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 7 | 116 | 116.00 | 2 | 10 | 9 | 105 | 11 | 26.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 17 | Macomb | 190 | 7 | ... | 5 | ... | 12 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 197 | 197.00 | 3 | 13 | 10 | 178 | 19 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 19 | Clinton | 182 | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 7 | 178 | 178.00 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 164 | 14 | 35.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 20 | Hancock | 174 | 1 | 1 | 3 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | 6 | 173 | 173.00 | ... | 5 | 1 | 153 | 20 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 23 | Cass | 219 | 20 | ... | 3 | ... | 23 | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | 6 | 236 | 236.00 | 2 | 25 | 20 | 208 | 28 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 24 | St. Clair | 215 | 20 | ... | 2 | ... | 22 | 4 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 8 | 229 | 229.00 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 212 | 17 | 25.00 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 25 | Franklin | 151 | 36 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 40 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 185 | 185.00 | 14 | 39 | 34 | 151 | 34 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 27 | Piasa | 239 | 23 | ... | 5 | ... | 28 | 9 | ... | 4 | 6 | ... | 19 | 248 | 248.00 | 4 | 29 | 28 | 218 | 30 | 246.77 | ..... | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 29 | Pekin | 145 | 11 | ... | ... | ... | 11 | 4 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 8 | 148 | 148.00 | 3 | 10 | 11 | 131 | 17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 31 | Mt. Vernon | 227 | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | 6 | ... | 1 | 4 | 4 | ... | 9 | 224 | 224.00 | ... | 5 | 3 | 199 | 25 | 6.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 33 | Oriental | 610 | 49 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 56 | 2 | ... | 29 | 13 | ... | 44 | 622 | 622.00 | 16 | 56 | 53 | 535 | 87 | 200.00 | 10.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 34 | Barry | 113 | 6 | ... | 4 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 7 | 4 | ... | 11 | 112 | 112.00 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 87 | 25 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 35 | Charleston | 222 | 10 | ... | 4 | ... | 14 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 233 | 233.00 | 1 | 14 | 11 | 197 | 36 | 500.00 | ..... | 15.00 | ..... |
| 36 | Kavanaugh | 71 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 75 | 75.00 | ... | 6 | 5 | 67 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 37 | Monmouth | 231 | 22 | 1 | 4 | ... | 27 | ... | ... | 4 | 3 | ... | 7 | 251 | 251.00 | 9 | 27 | 25 | 200 | 51 | 50.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 38 | Olive Branch | 488 | 53 | 5 | 4 | ... | 62 | 7 | ... | 6 | 6 | ... | 19 | 531 | 531.00 | 5 | 53 | 53 | 443 | 88 | 40.00 | 79.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 39 | Herman | 167 | 9 | ... | 2 | 1 | 12 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 4 | 175 | 175.00 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 155 | 20 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 40 | Occidental | 303 | 17 | 2 | 4 | ... | 23 | 2 | ... | 4 | 4 | ... | 10 | 316 | 315.00 | 1 | 19 | 17 | 275 | 41 | 17.00 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 42 | Mt. Joliet | 576 | 79 | 3 | 2 | ... | 84 | ... | ... | 2 | 12 | ... | 14 | 646 | 646.00 | 20 | 81 | 78 | 573 | 73 | 490.45 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 43 | Bloomington | 533 | 38 | 3 | 16 | ... | 57 | ... | ... | 12 | 7 | ... | 19 | 571 | 571.00 | 9 | 59 | 45 | 490 | 81 | ..... | 40.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 44 | Hardin | 119 | 5 | 1 | 1 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 122 | 122.00 | ... | 6 | 5 | 110 | 12 | 41.65 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 45 | Griggsville | 70 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 68 | 68.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 55 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 46 | Temple | 1030 | 63 | 2 | 9 | ... | 74 | 12 | ... | 11 | 18 | ... | 41 | 1063 | 1059.00 | 16 | 70 | 66 | 944 | 119 | 547.78 | 25.00 | ..... | 25.00 |
| 47 | Caledonia | 52 | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | 8 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 57 | 57.00 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 52 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

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| 48 | Unity | 136 | 14 | ... | ... | ... | 14 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 148 | 148.00 | 3 | 11 | 15 | 129 | 19 | 36.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 49 | Cambridge | 101 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 104 | 104.00 | ... | 6 | 5 | 94 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 50 | Carrollton | 148 | 16 | ... | 1 | 1 | 18 | ... | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 7 | 159 | 159.00 | 3 | 22 | 15 | 139 | 20 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 51 | Mt. Moriah | 179 | 17 | 1 | ... | ... | 18 | 2 | ... | 2 | 5 | ... | 9 | 188 | 188.00 | 6 | 21 | 18 | 170 | 18 | ..... | 50.00 | 10.00 | ..... |
| 52 | Benevolent | 68 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | 66 | 66.00 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 05 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 53 | Jackson | 183 | 14 | ... | 5 | ... | 19 | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 6 | 196 | 196.00 | 1 | 12 | 14 | 177 | 23 | 39.50 | 7.50 | ..... | ..... |
| 55 | Washington | 95 | 4 | 1 | 2 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 5 | 97 | 97.00 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 78 | 19 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 57 | Trio | 382 | 33 | ... | 6 | ... | 39 | 6 | ... | 4 | 9 | ... | 19 | 402 | 401.00 | 10 | 37 | 37 | 349 | 53 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 58 | Fraternal | 125 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 127 | 127.00 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 115 | 12 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 59 | New Boston | 105 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 6 | 107 | 107.00 | 1 | 11 | 9 | 96 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 60 | Belvidere | 322 | 16 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 20 | 3 | ... | 5 | 4 | ... | 12 | 330 | 330.00 | 4 | 18 | 16 | 297 | 33 | 386.20 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 61 | Lacon | 100 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 99 | 99.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 87 | 12 | 3.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 63 | St. Mark's | 154 | 15 | ... | 2 | ... | 17 | 1 | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 7 | 164 | 164.00 | ... | 13 | 14 | 137 | 27 | ..... | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 64 | Benton | 143 | 8 | ... | 2 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 151 | 151.00 | 4 | 13 | 9 | 139 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 65 | Euclid | 144 | 29 | 2 | ... | ... | 31 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 171 | 171.00 | 4 | 31 | 28 | 149 | 22 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 66 | Pacific | 73 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | 2 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 5 | 76 | 76.00 | 1 | 9 | 7 | 68 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 67 | Acacia | 185 | 18 | ... | ... | ... | 18 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | 5 | 198 | 198.00 | 7 | 19 | 21 | 180 | 18 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 69 | Eureka | 80 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 82 | 82.00 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 68 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 71 | Central | 344 | 17 | 2 | 1 | ... | 20 | 17 | ... | 4 | 7 | ... | 28 | 336 | 336.00 | 13 | 17 | 18 | 306 | 30 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 72 | Chester | 83 | 6 | ... | 2 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 88 | 88.00 | ... | 7 | 7 | 74 | 14 | 54.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 | ..... |
| 74 | Rockton | 119 | 8 | ... | 1 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 125 | 125.00 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 112 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 75 | Roscoe | 92 | 11 | 1 | 1 | ... | 13 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 103 | 103.00 | ... | 11 | 9 | 84 | 19 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 76 | Mt. Nebo | 132 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 138 | 138.00 | ... | 8 | 8 | 119 | 19 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 77 | Prairie | 261 | 9 | 1 | ... | ... | 10 | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 6 | 265 | 265.00 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 220 | 45 | 125.00 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 78 | Waukegan | 506 | 34 | 2 | 3 | ... | 39 | 5 | ... | 9 | 8 | ... | 22 | 523 | 523.00 | 28 | 24 | 34 | 400 | 123 | 100.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 79 | Scott | 74 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 78 | 78.00 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 64 | 14 | ..... | 6.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 80 | White Hall | 108 | 14 | ... | 6 | ... | 20 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 125 | 125.00 | 2 | 14 | 14 | 117 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 81 | Vitruvius | 84 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 87 | 87.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 76 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 84 | DeWitt | 210 | 13 | ... | 4 | ... | 17 | ... | ... | 9 | 4 | ... | 13 | 214 | 214.00 | 6 | 15 | 13 | 194 | 20 | 70.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 85 | Mitchell | 114 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 117 | 117.00 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 105 | 12 | 37.75 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 86 | Kaskaskia | 37 | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 36 | 36.00 | ... | 4 | 4 | 29 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 87 | Mt. Pulaski | 94 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 93 | 93.00 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 90 | 3 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 88 | Havana | 127 | 6 | ... | 2 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 5 | 130 | 130.00 | ... | 4 | 5 | 118 | 12 | 10.00 | ..... | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 89 | Fellowship | 145 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 147 | 147.00 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 143 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 90 | Jerusal'mTemple | 429 | 46 | 3 | 5 | ... | 54 | ... | ... | 5 | 7 | ... | 12 | 471 | 471.00 | 10 | 55 | 52 | 451 | 20 | 128.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 91 | Metropolis | 124 | 15 | ... | 3 | ... | 18 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 139 | 139.00 | 3 | 21 | 14 | 96 | 43 | ..... | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 92 | Stewart | 152 | 7 | ... | 2 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | 158 | 158.00 | ... | 10 | 8 | 148 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 93 | Toulon | 99 | 9 | ... | 2 | ... | 11 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 107 | 107.00 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 100 | 7 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 95 | Perry | 60 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 57 | 57.00 | ... | ... | ... | 53 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 96 | Samuel H. Davis | 107 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 4 | 104 | 104.00 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 91 | 13 | 75.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 97 | Excelsior | 442 | 41 | ... | 2 | ... | 43 | 8 | ... | 5 | 5 | ... | 18 | 467 | 467.00 | 4 | 36 | 41 | 374 | 93 | 31.00 | ..... | 5.00 | ..... |
| 98 | Taylor. | 110 | 8 | ... | 2 | ... | 10 | 1 | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 6 | 114 | 114.00 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 109 | 5 | 63.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 99 | Edwardsville | 174 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 6 | 178 | 178.00 | 1 | 11 | 12 | 162 | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 100 | Astoria | 86 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 95 | 95.00 | 4 | 11 | 5 | 86 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 102 | Rockford | 557 | 150 | 2 | 10 | ... | 162 | 1 | ... | 6 | 9 | ... | 16 | 703 | 703.00 | 9 | 150 | 152 | 624 | 79 | 171.10 | 11.15 | ..... | ..... |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing In Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
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| 103 | Magnolia | 83 | 11 | ... | 1 | ... | 12 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 92 | 92.00 | 1 | 20 | 14 | 87 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 104 | Lewistown | 100 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 105 | 105.00 | ... | 9 | 8 | 95 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 105 | Winchester | 99 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 101 | 101.00 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 94 | 7 | 192.35 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 106 | Lancaster | 135 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 137 | 137.00 | ... | 4 | 4 | 132 | 5 | 30.00 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 108 | Versailles | 56 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 58 | 58.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 55 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 109 | Trenton | 87 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 5 | 87 | 87.00 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 82 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 110 | Lebanon | 52 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 57 | 57.00 | ... | 4 | 3 | 43 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 111 | Jonesboro | 73 | 5 | 3 | 2 | ... | 10 | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 80 | 80.00 | ... | 6 | 6 | 72 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 113 | Robert Burns | 114 | 7 | ... | 2 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 6 | 117 | 117.00 | ... | 7 | 6 | 88 | 29 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 114 | Marcelline | 55 | 2 | 2 | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 59 | 59.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 52 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 115 | Rising Sun | 109 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 108 | 108.00 | ... | 4 | 1 | 100 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 116 | Vermont | 50 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 51 | 51.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 44 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 117 | Elgin | 552 | 39 | 4 | 1 | ... | 44 | 7 | ... | 6 | 3 | ... | 16 | 580 | 577.00 | 12 | 50 | 44 | 496 | 84 | 177.00 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 118 | Waverly | 105 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 108 | 108.00 | ... | 6 | 7 | 95 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 119 | Henry | 88 | 10 | 1 | 1 | ... | 12 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 98 | 98.00 | 2 | 12 | 10 | 92 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 122 | Mound | 191 | 11 | ... | 1 | ... | 12 | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | 6 | 197 | 197.00 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 183 | 14 | ..... | 35.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 123 | Oquawka | 53 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 55 | 55.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 44 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 124 | Cedar | 185 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 8 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 10 | 180 | 180.00 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 136 | 44 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 125 | Greenup | 85 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 89 | 89.00 | ... | 7 | 7 | 80 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 126 | Empire | 181 | 21 | 1 | 6 | ... | 28 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 4 | 205 | 205.00 | 7 | 25 | 21 | 194 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 127 | Antioch | 183 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 85 | 85.00 | ... | 4 | 3 | 74 | 11 | ..... | ..... | 5.00 | ..... |
| 128 | Raleigh | 63 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 65 | 65.00 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 54 | 11 | 35.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 129 | Greenfield | 90 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 91 | 91.00 | ... | 4 | 3 | 85 | 6 | 6.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 130 | Marion | 177 | 13 | 1 | 2 | ... | 16 | ... | ... | 8 | 2 | ... | 10 | 183 | 183.00 | 2 | 12 | 13 | 149 | 34 | ..... | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 131 | Golconda | 98 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 102 | 102.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 78 | 24 | 183.00 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 132 | Mackinaw | 64 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 65 | 65.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 58 | 7 | 7.75 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 133 | Marshall | 137 | 7 | ... | 2 | ... | 9 | 3 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 7 | 139 | 139.00 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 112 | 27 | 46.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 134 | Sycamore | 195 | 4 | 1 | 3 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | ... | 8 | 195 | 195.00 | ... | 8 | 5 | 170 | 25 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 135 | Lima | 67 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 66 | 65.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 54 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 136 | Hutsonville | 43 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45 | 45.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 27 | 18 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 137 | Polk | 99 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | 96 | 96.00 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 74 | 22 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 138 | Marengo | 113 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 115 | 115.00 | ... | 1 | 3 | 109 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 139 | Geneva | 90 | 8 | ... | 1 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 96 | 96.00 | 1 | 10 | 10 | 84 | 12 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 140 | Olney | 140 | 13 | ... | 3 | ... | 16 | 5 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 9 | 147 | 147.00 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 93 | 54 | 220.11 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 141 | Garden City | 1571 | 82 | 9 | 4 | ... | 95 | 11 | ... | 23 | 20 | ... | 54 | 1612 | 1612.00 | 17 | 84 | 78 | 1458 | 154 | 1086.00 | 294.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |

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| 142 | Ames | 76 | 4 | 2 | 1 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 82 | 82.00 | ... | 3 | 4 | 73 | 9 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 143 | Richmond | 83 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 6 | 77 | 74.30 | ... | 2 | ... | 70 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 144 | DeKalb | 197 | 11 | ... | 1 | ... | 12 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 4 | 205 | 205.00 | 3 | 11 | 9 | 198 | 7 | 2.50 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 145 | A. W. Rawson | 83 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 81 | 81.00 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 69 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 146 | Lee Center | 65 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 63 | 63.00 | ... | ... | ... | 47 | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 147 | Clayton | 76 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 79 | 79.00 | ... | 6 | 3 | 64 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 148 | Bloomfield | 156 | 15 | ... | 3 | ... | 18 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 169 | 169.00 | 3 | 16 | 16 | 119 | 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 149 | Effingham | 106 | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 6 | 109 | 109.00 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 81 | 28 | 40.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 150 | Vienna | 90 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 91 | 91.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 77 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 151 | Bunker Hill | 85 | 5 | ... | 2 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 88 | 87.00 | ... | 6 | 5 | 66 | 22 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 152 | Fidelity | 69 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 4 | 67 | 67.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 59 | 8 | ..... | ..... | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 153 | Clay | 109 | 7 | 7 | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 114 | 114.00 | ... | 9 | 7 | 95 | 19 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 154 | Russell | 125 | 6 | 1 | ... | ... | 7 | 4 | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 8 | 124 | 124.00 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 103 | 21 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 155 | Alpha | 258 | 15 | ... | 7 | ... | 22 | ... | ... | 6 | 4 | ... | 10 | 270 | 270.00 | 3 | 14 | 14 | 235 | 35 | 290.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 156 | Delavan | 115 | 5 | ... | 2 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 120 | 120.00 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 100 | 20 | 8.00 | ..... | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 157 | Urbana | 441 | 27 | ... | 6 | ... | 33 | 4 | ... | 14 | 5 | ... | 23 | 451 | 450.00 | 3 | 25 | 23 | 350 | 101 | 54.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 158 | McHenry | 103 | 13 | ... | ... | ... | 13 | ... | 2 | 2 | 1 | ... | 5 | 111 | 111.00 | 4 | 18 | 15 | 93 | 18 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 159 | Kewanee | 229 | 13 | 1 | 3 | ... | 17 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 242 | 242.00 | 6 | 16 | 14 | 205 | 37 | ..... | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 160 | Waubansia | 465 | 36 | 5 | 1 | ... | 42 | 14 | 1 | 5 | 4 | ... | 24 | 483 | 483.00 | 19 | 57 | 42 | 443 | 40 | 825.48 | ..... | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 161 | Virden | 151 | 13 | 1 | 2 | ... | 16 | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 162 | 162.00 | 5 | 12 | 10 | 140 | 22 | ..... | 15.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 162 | Hope | 99 | 9 | 1 | ... | ... | 10 | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 4 | 105 | 105.00 | 1 | 13 | 11 | 90 | 15 | 30.50 | 4.20 | ..... | ..... |
| 164 | Edward Dobbins | 151 | 10 | 2 | ... | ... | 12 | 3 | ... | 6 | 1 | ... | 10 | 153 | 153.00 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 108 | 45 | 17.50 | ..... | 15.00 | 15.00 |
| 165 | Atlanta | 103 | 6 | 1 | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 111 | 111.00 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 102 | 9 | 125.85 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 166 | Star in the East | 695 | 85 | 4 | 16 | ... | 105 | 15 | ... | 12 | 2 | ... | 29 | 771 | 771.00 | 8 | 68 | 78 | 640 | 131 | 35.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 168 | Milford | 87 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 86 | 86.00 | ... | 4 | 2 | 72 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 169 | Nunda | 111 | 13 | ... | 3 | ... | 16 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 123 | 123.00 | 2 | 10 | 9 | 117 | 6 | 50.00 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 170 | Evergreen | 257 | 17 | ... | 1 | ... | 18 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 270 | 268.00 | 4 | 21 | 16 | 235 | 35 | 119.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 171 | Girard | 95 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 98 | 98.00 | ... | 7 | 6 | 79 | 19 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 172 | Wayne | 60 | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 9 | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 7 | 62 | 62.00 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 55 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 173 | Cherry Valley | 54 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 55 | 55.00 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 48 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 174 | Lena | 65 | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | 6 | 66 | 65.00 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 60 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 175 | Mattison | 479 | 41 | 2 | ... | ... | 43 | 10 | ... | 8 | 5 | ... | 23 | 499 | 499.00 | 2 | 46 | 49 | 400 | 99 | 527.30 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 176 | Mendota | 134 | 11 | ... | ... | ... | 11 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 143 | 142.00 | 2 | 10 | 9 | 129 | 14 | ..... | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 177 | Staunton | 241 | 17 | ... | ... | ... | 17 | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | ... | 8 | 250 | 250.00 | 8 | 20 | 17 | 212 | 38 | 110.00 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 178 | Illinois Central | 122 | 8 | 1 | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 3 | 5 | ... | 8 | 123 | 123.00 | 2 | 10 | 5 | 109 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 179 | Wabash | 47 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 46 | 46.00 | ... | 4 | 2 | 43 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 180 | Moweaqua | 101 | 8 | ... | 1 | 1 | 10 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 108 | 108.00 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 100 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 182 | Germania | 418 | 22 | ... | ... | ... | 22 | 1 | ... | 1 | 11 | ... | 13 | 427 | 427.00 | 10 | 21 | 22 | 407 | 20 | 490.00 | 485.35 | 15.00 | ..... |
| 183 | Meridian | 64 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 65 | 65.00 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 60 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 185 | Abingdon | 105 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | 4 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 7 | 106 | 106.00 | ... | 8 | 7 | 93 | 13 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 187 | Mystic Tie | 86 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 89 | 89.00 | ... | 8 | 5 | 76 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 188 | Cyrus | 131 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 133 | 133.00 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 111 | 22 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 189 | Fulton City | 90 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 88 | 88.00 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 69 | 19 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 190 | Dundee | 182 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | 5 | ... | 3 | 5 | ... | 13 | 175 | 175.00 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 140 | 35 | 148.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 192 | Farmington | 135 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 4 | 131 | 131.00 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 115 | 16 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 193 | Herrick | 44 | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 53 | 53.00 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 41 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home |
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| | | | Raised | Reinstated | Admitted | Added for Error | | Suspended | Expelled | Dimitted | Died | Ded. for Error | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 194 | Freedom | 59 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | .. | ... | 1 | 1 | 59 | 59.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 56 | 3 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 195 | La Harpe | 146 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 142 | 142.00 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 122 | 20 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 196 | Louisville | 76 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 78 | 78.00 | ... | 7 | 4 | 69 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 197 | King Solomon's | 69 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | 1 | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 8 | 67 | 67.00 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 56 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 199 | Homer | 108 | 3 | 1 | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 108 | 108.00 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 101 | 7 | 75.00 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 200 | Sheba | 64 | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 69 | 69.00 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 59 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 201 | Centralia | 238 | 12 | 1 | 2 | ... | 15 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 249 | 249.00 | 6 | 14 | 13 | 191 | 58 | 10.00 | 58.45 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 203 | Lavely | 81 | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 86 | 86.00 | ... | 8 | 2 | 83 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 204 | Flora | 117 | 11 | ... | 2 | ... | 13 | ... | ... | 4 | 3 | ... | 7 | 123 | 123.00 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 96 | 27 | 25.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 205 | Corinthian | 68 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 70 | 69.00 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 64 | 6 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 206 | Fairfield | 124 | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 129 | 129.00 | 2 | 9 | 9 | 115 | 14 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 207 | Tamaroa | 60 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 58 | 58.00 | ... | ... | ... | 45 | 13 | 76.48 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 208 | Wilmington | 109 | 18 | ... | 2 | ... | 20 | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 4 | 125 | 125.00 | 3 | 15 | 14 | 113 | 12 | 2.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 209 | Wm. B. Warren | 665 | 41 | 3 | 3 | ... | 47 | ... | ... | 7 | 12 | ... | 19 | 693 | 691.00 | 3 | 46 | 43 | 552 | 141 | 1571.19 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 210 | Logan | 224 | 7 | 1 | 2 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 9 | 6 | ... | 15 | 219 | 219.00 | ... | 5 | 6 | 190 | 29 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 211 | Cleveland | 855 | 64 | 2 | ... | ... | 66 | 9 | ... | 15 | 21 | ... | 45 | 876 | 875.00 | 5 | 61 | 62 | 769 | 107 | 1310.44 | ..... | 25.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 212 | Shipman | 58 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 57 | 57.00 | ... | ... | ... | 51 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 213 | Ipava | 77 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 6 | 76 | 76.00 | ... | 6 | 5 | 67 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 214 | Gillespie | 119 | 21 | ... | 4 | ... | 25 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 139 | 139.00 | 2 | 25 | 23 | 120 | 19 | 65.00 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 216 | Newton | 116 | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | 8 | 2 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 5 | 119 | 119.00 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 105 | 14 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 217 | Mason | 58 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 5 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 8 | 53 | 53.00 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 34 | 19 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 218 | New Salem | 42 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 19 | 2 | ... | 21 | 31 | 31.00 | ... | 10 | 10 | 28 | 3 | 35.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 219 | Oakland | 120 | 15 | ... | 2 | 2 | 19 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | 135 | 135.00 | 2 | 15 | 15 | 128 | 7 | 99.25 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 220 | Mahomet | 64 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 68 | 68.00 | ... | 6 | 5 | 63 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 221 | LeRoy | 97 | 16 | 1 | 1 | ... | 18 | ... | ... | 5 | 3 | ... | 8 | 107 | 107.00 | ... | 14 | 16 | 100 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 222 | Geo. Washington | 136 | 4 | 2 | 2 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 142 | 142.00 | 3 | 14 | 5 | 119 | 23 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 226 | Pana | 229 | 7 | ... | 2 | 2 | 11 | 8 | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 15 | 225 | 225.00 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 195 | 30 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 227 | Columbus | 27 | 10 | ... | 1 | ... | 11 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 35 | 35.00 | ... | 10 | 10 | 33 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 228 | Lovington | 102 | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 104 | 104.00 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 97 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 229 | Manchester | 77 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | 76 | 76.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 70 | 6 | 6.00 | 2.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 230 | New Haven | 66 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 15 | 2 | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 76 | 76.00 | 1 | 11 | 9 | 66 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 231 | Wyanet | 44 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 45 | 45.00 | ... | 1 | ... | 42 | 3 | ..... | 5.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 232 | Farmers | 57 | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 59 | 59.00 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 51 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 233 | Blandinsville | 107 | 9 | ... | 2 | 1 | 12 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 117 | 117.00 | ... | 10 | 9 | 102 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

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| 234 | DuQuoin | 129 | 4 | ... | 3 | 1 | 8 | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 4 | 133 | 133.00 | ... | 7 | 4 | 114 | 19 | 51.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 235 | Dallas City | 104 | 8 | ... | 1 | .. | 9 | ... | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | 6 | 107 | 107.00 | ... | 10 | 8 | 89 | 18 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 236 | Charter Oak | 113 | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 119 | 119.00 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 98 | 21 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 237 | Cairo | 230 | 10 | 1 | 4 | ... | 15 | 9 | ... | 2 | 7 | ... | 18 | 227 | 227.00 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 181 | 46 | 403.60 | 213.50 | 10.00 | 5.00 |
| 238 | Black Hawk | 112 | 3 | 1 | 1 | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 116 | 116.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 88 | 28 | 15.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 239 | Mt. Carmel | 244 | 17 | 2 | ... | ... | 19 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 261 | 261.00 | 2 | 12 | 16 | 204 | 57 | 25.00 | 15.75 | ..... | ..... |
| 240 | Western Star | 463 | 31 | 2 | 6 | ... | 39 | 1 | ... | 10 | 2 | ... | 13 | 489 | 488.00 | 9 | 37 | 31 | 442 | 47 | ..... | 1.25 | ..... | ..... |
| 241 | Shekinah | 231 | 8 | 1 | 1 | ... | 10 | 6 | ... | 8 | 2 | ... | 16 | 225 | 225.00 | 3 | 16 | 9 | 150 | 75 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 243 | Galva | 130 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 134 | 133.00 | ... | 10 | 8 | 121 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 244 | Horicon | 165 | 9 | ... | 6 | ... | 15 | 4 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 7 | 173 | 173.00 | 2 | 8 | 9 | 161 | 12 | ..... | 25.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 245 | Greenville | 148 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 7 | 149 | 149.00 | ... | 8 | 8 | 100 | 49 | 27.50 | ..... | 10.00 | 5.00 |
| 246 | El Paso | 162 | 13 | ... | 2 | ... | 15 | 1 | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 5 | 172 | 172.00 | ... | 10 | 13 | 152 | 20 | 48.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 247 | Rob Morris | 81 | 8 | ... | 2 | 1 | 11 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 90 | 90.00 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 79 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 248 | Golden Gate | 64 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 61 | 61.00 | ... | ... | ... | 48 | 13 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 249 | Hibbard | 42 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 39 | 39.00 | ... | ... | ... | 30 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 250 | Robinson | 159 | 13 | ... | 2 | ... | 15 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 4 | 170 | 170.00 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 135 | 35 | ..... | 32.40 | ..... | ..... |
| 251 | Heyworth | 105 | 10 | 1 | ... | ... | 11 | ... | ... | 2 | 5 | ... | 7 | 109 | 109.00 | 6 | 12 | 10 | 102 | 7 | ..... | 100.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 252 | Aledo | 178 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | 4 | 182 | 182.00 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 166 | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 253 | Avon Harmony | 50 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 50 | 50.00 | ... | 1 | 2 | 42 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 254 | Aurora | 438 | 27 | 2 | 1 | ... | 30 | 2 | ... | 7 | 9 | ... | 18 | 450 | 449.00 | 6 | 32 | 27 | 405 | 45 | 62.89 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 255 | Donnelson | 59 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 61 | 61.00 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 56 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 257 | Warsaw | 72 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 74 | 74.00 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 56 | 18 | ..... | 28.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 260 | Mattoon | 339 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | 2 | ... | 2 | 10 | 1 | 15 | 332 | 331.00 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 262 | 70 | 190.20 | 50.00 | ..... | 5.00 |
| 261 | Amon | 48 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 49 | 49.00 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 45 | 4 | 40.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 262 | Channahon | 32 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 31 | 31.00 | ... | ... | ... | 27 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 263 | Illinois | 522 | 40 | 5 | 3 | ... | 48 | 6 | ... | 3 | 11 | ... | 20 | 550 | 550.00 | 8 | 44 | 39 | 485 | 65 | 125.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 264 | Franklin Grove | 35 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 34 | 34.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 31 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 265 | Vermilion | 54 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 55 | 55.00 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 51 | 4 | 58.19 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 266 | Kingston | 59 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 1 | ... | 7 | 52 | 52.00 | ... | 2 | ... | 49 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 267 | La Prairie | 52 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 55 | 55.00 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 50 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 268 | Paris | 275 | 10 | ... | 2 | ... | 12 | 1 | ... | 1 | 6 | ... | 8 | 279 | 279.00 | 3 | 19 | 11 | 230 | 49 | 69.00 | 10.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 269 | Wheaton | 180 | 24 | 1 | 4 | ... | 29 | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 6 | 203 | 203.00 | 3 | 22 | 24 | 178 | 25 | 150.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 270 | Levi Lusk | 31 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 30 | 30.00 | ... | ... | ... | 26 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 271 | Blaney | 370 | 30 | ... | 2 | ... | 32 | 3 | ... | 10 | 6 | ... | 19 | 383 | 383.00 | 3 | 33 | 34 | 330 | 53 | 496.62 | 20.50 | ..... | ..... |
| 272 | Carmi | 96 | 6 | 1 | 2 | ... | 9 | 6 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 8 | 97 | 97.00 | ... | 8 | 4 | 83 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 273 | Miners | 185 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 5 | 187 | 187.00 | ... | 7 | 6 | 159 | 28 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 274 | Byron | 96 | 6 | 1 | 1 | ... | 8 | 1 | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 6 | 98 | 98.00 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 83 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 275 | Milton | 47 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 45 | 45.00 | ... | ... | ... | 37 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 276 | Elizabeth | 45 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 46 | 46.00 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 41 | 5 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 277 | Accordia | 239 | 27 | ... | 1 | ... | 28 | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 5 | 262 | 262.00 | 7 | 27 | 23 | 252 | 10 | 25.00 | 95.00 | 10.00 | 5.00 |
| 278 | Jo Daviess | 157 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 157 | 157.00 | ... | 5 | 3 | 128 | 29 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 279 | Neoga | 116 | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | 8 | 2 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | 120 | 120.00 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 98 | 22 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 280 | Kansas | 86 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 93 | 93.00 | 5 | 10 | 7 | 88 | 5 | ..... | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 282 | Brooklyn | 80 | 3 | ... | ... | 2 | 5 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 82 | 82.00 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 76 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 283 | Meteor | 117 | 11 | ... | 1 | ... | 12 | 1 | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 7 | 122 | 122.00 | ... | 11 | 10 | 109 | 13 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home |
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| 285 | Catlin | 131 | 17 | ... | 1 | 2 | 20 | ... | ... | 6 | 4 | ... | 10 | 141 | 141.00 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 129 | 12 | 158.11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 286 | Plymouth | 67 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 71 | 71.00 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 66 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 287 | De Soto | 140 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 5 | 141 | 141.00 | 4 | 10 | 9 | 140 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 288 | Genoa | 115 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 116 | 116.00 | ... | 5 | 3 | 104 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 291 | Wataga | 39 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 37 | 37.00 | ... | ... | ... | 32 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 292 | Chenoa | 117 | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 123 | 123.00 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 111 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 293 | Prophetstown | 77 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 5 | 74 | 74.00 | ... | 1 | ... | 65 | 9 | 124.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 294 | Pontiac | 203 | 12 | ... | 4 | 1 | 17 | 3 | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 10 | 210 | 210.00 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 148 | 62 | 100.00 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 295 | Dills | 43 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 42 | 42.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 37 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 296 | Quincy | 209 | 17 | ... | 1 | ... | 18 | 1 | ... | 5 | 3 | ... | 9 | 218 | 218.00 | 3 | 15 | 16 | 157 | 61 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 297 | Benjamin | 124 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | 6 | 2 | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 8 | 122 | 122.00 | ... | 7 | 6 | 103 | 19 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 298 | Wauconda | 54 | 11 | ... | 2 | ... | 13 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 65 | 65.00 | 2 | 21 | 12 | 59 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 301 | Hinckley | 104 | 7 | ... | 2 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 112 | 112.00 | ... | 7 | 7 | 102 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 302 | Durand | 77 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 73 | 73.00 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 68 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 303 | Raven | 71 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 74 | 74.00 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 70 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 305 | Onarga | 72 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 4 | 74 | 74.00 | ... | 7 | 7 | 69 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 306 | Wm. C. Hobbs | 97 | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 97 | 97.00 | ... | 4 | 1 | 79 | 18 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 307 | T. J. Picket | 129 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 129 | 129.00 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 116 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 308 | Ashlar | 787 | 42 | 2 | 3 | ... | 47 | 13 | ... | 16 | 12 | ... | 41 | 793 | 793.00 | 5 | 57 | 44 | 680 | 113 | 625.46 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 309 | Harvard | 259 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 262 | 262.00 | 2 | 13 | 8 | 230 | 32 | 7.50 | ..... | 5.00 | 10.00 | |
| 310 | Dearborn | 950 | 45 | 3 | 4 | ... | 52 | 6 | ... | 12 | 12 | ... | 30 | 972 | 972.00 | 4 | 41 | 40 | 845 | 127 | 912.30 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 311 | Kilwinning | 771 | 20 | 4 | ... | ... | 24 | 10 | ... | 10 | 14 | ... | 34 | 761 | 760.00 | 8 | 22 | 21 | 662 | 99 | 203.35 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 312 | Ionic | 573 | 45 | 4 | 4 | ... | 53 | 5 | ... | 12 | 7 | ... | 24 | 602 | 602.00 | 20 | 42 | 41 | 500 | 102 | 144.63 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 313 | York | 84 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 86 | 86.00 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 73 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 314 | Palatine | 121 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 123 | 123.00 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 116 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 316 | Abraham Jonas | 51 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 55 | 55.00 | ... | 5 | 5 | 52 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 318 | J. L. Anderson | 105 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 104 | 104.00 | ... | 1 | ... | 87 | 17 | 90.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 319 | Doric | 432 | 40 | 2 | 3 | ... | 45 | 4 | ... | 4 | 3 | ... | 11 | 466 | 466.00 | 13 | 37 | 41 | 387 | 79 | 150.00 | 30.38 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 320 | Creston | 56 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 55 | 55.00 | ... | ... | 1 | 48 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 321 | Dunlap | 119 | 7 | ... | 2 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 126 | 126.00 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 99 | 27 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 322 | Windsor | 67 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 66 | 66.00 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 63 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 323 | Orient | 33 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 32 | 32.00 | ... | 2 | ... | 27 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 325 | Harrisburg | 245 | 17 | 2 | 3 | ... | 22 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 263 | 263.00 | 12 | 19 | 16 | 233 | 30 | ..... | 13.90 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 327 | Industry | 69 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 73 | 73.00 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 70 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

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| 330 | Altona | 53 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 56 | 56.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 44 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 331 | Mt. Erie | 40 | .. | ... | ... | 5 | 5 | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 7 | 38 | 38.00 | ... | ... | ... | 38 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 332 | Tuscola | 167 | 10 | ... | 2 | ... | 12 | 4 | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 10 | 169 | 169.00 | 1 | 14 | 13 | 144 | 25 | ..... | 25.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 333 | Tyrian | 296 | 18 | 1 | 3 | ... | 22 | 2 | ... | 3 | 6 | 2 | 13 | 305 | 305.00 | 5 | 24 | 20 | 248 | 57 | 120.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 334 | Sumner | 113 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | 111 | 110.00 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 97 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 335 | Schiller | 146 | 10 | ... | 2 | ... | 12 | 2 | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 7 | 151 | 151.00 | ... | 13 | 12 | 138 | 13 | 35.00 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 336 | New Columbia | 86 | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 88 | 88.00 | ... | 7 | 6 | 82 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 337 | Oneida | 68 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 4 | 66 | 66.00 | ... | 4 | 2 | 61 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 339 | Saline | 55 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | 54 | 54.00 | ... | 6 | 1 | 49 | 5 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 340 | Kedron | 44 | 4 | 2 | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 48 | 48.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 47 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 341 | Full Moon | 81 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 81 | 81.00 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 66 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 342 | Summerfield | 23 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 24 | 24.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 19 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 344 | Wenona | 73 | 2 | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 77 | 77.00 | ... | 6 | 3 | 72 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 345 | Milledgeville | 108 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 115 | 115.00 | 1 | 13 | 11 | 103 | 12 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 346 | N. D. Morse | 47 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 49 | 49.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 45 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 347 | Sidney | 47 | 8 | 1 | 1 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 55 | 55.00 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 48 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 348 | Flat Rock | 98 | 12 | 1 | ... | 1 | 14 | 2 | ... | 2 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 105 | 105.00 | 1 | 7 | 11 | 74 | 31 | ..... | 6.40 | ..... | ..... |
| 349 | Sublette | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 27 | 27.00 | ... | ... | ... | 25 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 350 | Fairview | 76 | 11 | ... | ... | ... | 11 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 86 | 86.00 | ... | 7 | 11 | 80 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 351 | Tarbolton | 149 | 5 | ... | 2 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 3 | 7 | ... | 10 | 146 | 146.00 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 130 | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 352 | Groveland | 53 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 56 | 56.00 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 54 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 353 | Kinderhook | 56 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | 53 | 53.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 43 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 354 | Ark and Anchor | 115 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 115 | 115.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 104 | 11 | 10.00 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 355 | Marine | 49 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 49 | 49.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 32 | 17 | ..... | 20.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 356 | Hermitage | 104 | 8 | ... | 1 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 6 | 107 | 107.00 | 4 | 8 | 10 | 94 | 13 | 38.48 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 358 | Orion | 48 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 53 | 53.00 | ... | 6 | 6 | 43 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 359 | Blackberry | 103 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 106 | 106.00 | ... | 5 | 8 | 92 | 14 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 360 | Princeville | 88 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 90 | 90.00 | ... | 3 | 4 | 79 | 11 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 361 | Douglas | 49 | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 51 | 51.00 | ... | 1 | 2 | 44 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 362 | Noble | 56 | 3 | 1 | 3 | ... | 7 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 61 | 61.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 49 | 12 | 50.00 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 363 | Horeb | 114 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 115 | 115.00 | ... | 4 | 3 | 101 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 364 | Tonica | 55 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 5 | 52 | 52.00 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 43 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 365 | Bement | 122 | 7 | ... | 3 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 130 | 130.00 | ... | 8 | 7 | 115 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 366 | Arcola | 144 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 150 | 150.00 | ... | 11 | 10 | 132 | 18 | 87.30 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 367 | Oxford | 66 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 6 | 60 | 50.00 | 1 | ... | ... | 54 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 368 | Jefferson | 57 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 62 | 62.00 | ... | 15 | 15 | 56 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 369 | Newman | 111 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | ... | 7 | 111 | 111.00 | 1 | 10 | 11 | 96 | 15 | 10.00 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 371 | Livingston | 112 | 8 | ... | ... | 1 | 9 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 6 | 115 | 115.00 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 101 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 373 | Chambersburg | 29 | .. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29 | 29.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 29 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 374 | Shabbona | 83 | 5 | ... | 2 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 88 | 88.00 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 78 | 10 | ..... | ..... | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 378 | Aroma | 67 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 73 | 73.00 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 58 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 379 | Payson | 79 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 80 | 80.00 | ... | 4 | 2 | 68 | 12 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 380 | Liberty | 36 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 38 | 38.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 32 | 6 | 2.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 382 | Gill | 37 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 36 | 36.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 34 | 2 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 383 | LaMoille | 72 | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 73 | 73.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 61 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 384 | Waltham | 64 | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 67 | 67.00 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 63 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Raised | Reinstated | Admitted | Added for Error | | Suspended | Expelled | Dimitted | Died | Ded. for Error | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 385 | Mississippi.. .... | 209 | 16 | ... | ... | ... | 16 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 221 | 221.00 | 4 | 16 | 15 | 162 | 59 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 386 | Bridgeport..... | 184 | 9 | ... | 1 | ... | 10 | 7 | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | 13 | 181 | 181.00 | 1 | 13 | 9 | 123 | 58 | 21.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 388 | El Dara..... | 51 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | 47 | 46.00 | ... | .. | ... | 42 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 389 | Kankakee..... | 346 | 22 | 1 | 4 | ... | 27 | ... | ... | 4 | 7 | ... | 11 | 362 | 362.00 | 7 | 22 | 22 | 313 | 49 | 15.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 | ..... |
| 390 | Ashmore..... | 71 | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 79 | 79.00 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 72 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 391 | Tolono..... | 89 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 89 | 89.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 81 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 392 | Oconee..... | 59 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 60 | 60.00 | ... | 6 | 4 | 51 | 9 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 393 | Blair..... | 675 | 34 | 2 | 2 | ... | 38 | 6 | ... | 12 | 15 | ... | 33 | 680 | 680.00 | 16 | 37 | 36 | 610 | 70 | 153.35 | 65.00 | 15.00 | 25.00 |
| 394 | Jerseyville..... | 130 | 18 | ... | 5 | 6 | 29 | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 6 | 153 | 153.00 | 2 | 22 | 19 | 111 | 42 | 30.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 396 | Muddy Point..... | 37 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 37 | 37.00 | ... | ... | ... | 35 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 397 | Shiloh ..... | 55 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 56 | 56.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 48 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 398 | Kinmundy..... | 125 | 9 | 3 | 2 | ... | 14 | 1 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 5 | 134 | 134.00 | ... | 7 | 9 | 122 | 12 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 399 | Buda..... | 54 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 51 | 51.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 41 | 10 | 18.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 401 | Odell..... | 62 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 66 | 66.00 | ... | 6 | 5 | 50 | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 402 | Kishwaukee ..... | 56 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 66 | 66.00 | ... | 12 | 10 | 65 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 403 | Mason City..... | 139 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | .. | 5 | ... | 5 | 142 | 142.00 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 126 | 16 | 6.40 | 6.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 404 | Batavia..... | 145 | 16 | ... | 1 | ... | 17 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 159 | 159.00 | 3 | 13 | 13 | 140 | 19 | 574.60 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 405 | Ramsey..... | 79 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | .. | 2 | ... | 2 | 79 | 79.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 73 | 6 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 406 | Bethalto..... | 37 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 41 | 41.00 | ... | 6 | 7 | 38 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 408 | Stratton..... | 80 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 83 | 83.00 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 70 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 409 | Thos. J. Turner.. | 526 | 29 | 2 | 1 | ... | 32 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 3 | ... | 13 | 545 | 545.00 | 9 | 28 | 25 | 494 | 51 | 327.75 | 93.25 | 10.00 | ..... |
| 410 | Mithra..... ..... | 230 | 25 | ... | ... | ... | 25 | 1 | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | 7 | 248 | 248.00 | 11 | 19 | 21 | 240 | 8 | 189.00 | 11.50 | ..... | ..... |
| 411 | Hesperia..... | 703 | 23 | ... | 3 | ... | 26 | 8 | ... | 8 | 21 | ... | 37 | 692 | 691.00 | 6 | 30 | 25 | 611 | 81 | 824.21 | 25.00 | 15.00 | ..... |
| 414 | Evening Star .... | 53 | 2 | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 57 | 57.00 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 47 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 415 | Lawn Ridge..... | 46 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 51 | 51.00 | ... | 6 | 6 | 49 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 416 | Paxton..... | 136 | 10 | 1 | 4 | ... | 15 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 148 | 148.00 | 1 | 10 | 10 | 135 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 417 | Marseilles..... | 123 | 16 | ... | ... | ... | 16 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | 4 | 135 | 135.00 | 5 | 15 | 15 | 114 | 21 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 418 | Freeburg..... | 46 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 49 | 49.00 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 44 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 419 | Reynoldsburg.... | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 27 | 27.00 | ... | ... | ... | 25 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 420 | Oregon..... | 167 | 13 | ... | ... | ... | 13 | 2 | ... | 3 | 5 | ... | 10 | 170 | 170.00 | 3 | 18 | 14 | 155 | 15 | 104.42 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 421 | Washburn..... | 72 | 9 | ... | 1 | ... | 10 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 79 | 79.00 | 1 | 7 | 9 | 73 | 6 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 422 | Landmark..... | 708 | 34 | 2 | 3 | ... | 39 | 1 | ... | 13 | 10 | ... | 24 | 723 | 723.00 | 8 | 41 | 34 | 639 | 84 | 34.90 | 117.90 | ..... | ..... |
| 423 | Lanark..... | 78 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 1 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 5 | 79 | 79.00 | ... | 7 | 4 | 67 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 424 | Exeter..... | 32 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 31 | 31.00 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 26 | 5 | 134.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 426 | Scottville..... | 84 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 87 | 87.00 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 79 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

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| 427 | Red Bud | 36 | | | | | | | | | | | | 36 | 36.00 | | | | 28 | 8 | | | | |
| 428 | Sunbeam | 97 | 8 | | | | 8 | 1 | | 1 | 3 | | 5 | 100 | 100.00 | 4 | 12 | 11 | 88 | 12 | 174.76 | | | |
| 429 | Chebanse | 48 | 4 | | | | 4 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 50 | 50.00 | | 5 | 4 | 50 | | | | | |
| 430 | Kendrick | 48 | 1 | 2 | | | 3 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 50 | 50.00 | | 1 | 1 | 45 | 5 | | | | |
| 431 | Summit | 81 | 7 | | 1 | | 8 | 3 | | 2 | | | 5 | 84 | 84.00 | | 6 | 6 | 74 | 10 | | | | |
| 432 | Murrayville | 67 | 6 | | 1 | | 7 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 3 | 71 | 70.00 | | 4 | 5 | 65 | 6 | 12.00 | | | |
| 433 | Atkinson | 85 | 7 | | | | 7 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 91 | 91.00 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 76 | 15 | 74.19 | | | |
| 434 | Makanda | 66 | 3 | 1 | | | 4 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 68 | 67.00 | | 8 | 5 | 63 | 5 | | | | |
| 436 | Philo | 67 | 2 | | 3 | | 5 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 70 | 70.00 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 62 | 8 | | | | |
| 437 | Chicago | 596 | 13 | | 1 | | 14 | 2 | | 5 | 9 | | 16 | 594 | 556.95 | 8 | 17 | 14 | 534 | 60 | 161.35 | 166.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 440 | Camargo | 58 | 4 | | | | 4 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 4 | 58 | 58.00 | | 2 | 2 | 45 | 13 | | | | |
| 441 | Sparland | 35 | 3 | | 1 | | 4 | | | | | | | 39 | 39.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 34 | 5 | | | | |
| 442 | Casey | 114 | 7 | | 2 | | 9 | 1 | | 2 | 2 | | 5 | 118 | 118.00 | 1 | 10 | 7 | 82 | 36 | 232.40 | | | |
| 443 | Hampshire | 100 | 3 | | | | 3 | | | 1 | 2 | | 3 | 100 | 99.00 | | 4 | 3 | 91 | 9 | | | | |
| 444 | Cave-in-Rock | 52 | 6 | | | | 6 | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 56 | 56.00 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 46 | 10 | 25.00 | | | |
| 445 | Chesterfield | 47 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | 6 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 52 | 52.00 | | 2 | 3 | 52 | | 15.00 | | | |
| 446 | Watseka | 160 | 16 | 1 | 4 | | 21 | | | 2 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 174 | 173.00 | 6 | 15 | 14 | 157 | 17 | | | | |
| 447 | S. D. Monroe | 55 | 1 | | | | 1 | 4 | | 1 | | 1 | 6 | 50 | 50.00 | | 1 | 1 | 36 | 14 | | | | |
| 448 | Yates City | 63 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | 1 | 3 | | 4 | 61 | 61.00 | | 4 | 1 | 53 | 8 | | | | |
| 449 | Mendon | 82 | 9 | 1 | 1 | | 11 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 91 | 91.00 | | 8 | 8 | 71 | 20 | | | | |
| 450 | Loami | 73 | 4 | | 1 | | 5 | | | | 4 | | 4 | 74 | 74.00 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 68 | 6 | | | | |
| 451 | Bromwell | 97 | 9 | | | | 9 | | | 1 | 2 | | 3 | 103 | 103.00 | 4 | 13 | 11 | 97 | 6 | | | | |
| 453 | New Hartford | 46 | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 47 | 47.00 | | 2 | 2 | 42 | 5 | 25.00 | | | |
| 454 | Maroa | 119 | 5 | 1 | | | 6 | | | 1 | 2 | | 3 | 122 | 122.00 | | 6 | 5 | 108 | 14 | 100.00 | | 5.00 | |
| 455 | Irving | 71 | 9 | | 1 | | 10 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 80 | 80.00 | 1 | 10 | 10 | 71 | 9 | | | | |
| 456 | Nokomis | 168 | 5 | | 2 | | 7 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 172 | 172.00 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 147 | 25 | | | | |
| 458 | Blazing Star | 54 | 5 | | 2 | | 7 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 60 | 60.00 | | 6 | 5 | 59 | 1 | | 21.00 | | |
| 460 | Jeffersonville | 42 | 4 | | 1 | | 5 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 46 | 46.00 | | 3 | 4 | 41 | 5 | | | | |
| 461 | Plainview | 42 | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | 41 | 41.00 | | | | 35 | 6 | 15.00 | | | |
| 462 | Tremont | 41 | | | | | | | | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 36 | 36.00 | | 3 | | 33 | 3 | | | | |
| 463 | Palmyra | 79 | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 3 | | 4 | 76 | 76.00 | | 6 | | 67 | 9 | 22.50 | | | |
| 464 | Denver | 43 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | | | | | 45 | 44.00 | | | | 43 | 2 | | | | |
| 465 | Huntsville | 49 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 49 | 49.00 | | 3 | 2 | 47 | 2 | | | | |
| 466 | Cobden | 74 | 7 | | 1 | | 8 | 1 | | 2 | 3 | | 6 | 76 | 76.00 | | 7 | 7 | 70 | 6 | 33.75 | | | |
| 467 | South Macon | 101 | 4 | 2 | | | 6 | | | 4 | 1 | | 5 | 102 | 102.00 | | 6 | 4 | 86 | 16 | | | | |
| 468 | Cheney's Grove | 52 | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | | 3 | | | 3 | 52 | 52.00 | | | 2 | 46 | 6 | | | | |
| 469 | McLean | 104 | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 106 | 106.00 | | 7 | 1 | 96 | 10 | | | | |
| 470 | Rantoul | 87 | 15 | 1 | 2 | | 18 | 1 | | 3 | 1 | | 5 | 100 | 100.00 | 1 | 18 | 17 | 87 | 13 | | | | |
| 471 | Kendall | 109 | 8 | | | | 8 | | | 2 | 3 | | 5 | 112 | 111.00 | | 8 | 9 | 100 | 12 | | | | |
| 472 | Amity | 155 | 3 | 1 | 2 | | 6 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 159 | 159.00 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 141 | 18 | 15.00 | | | |
| 473 | Gordon | 43 | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 44 | 44.00 | | 1 | 1 | 39 | 5 | | | | |
| 474 | Columbia | 96 | 7 | | | | 7 | | | | 3 | | 3 | 100 | 100.00 | 2 | 12 | 8 | 84 | 16 | 104.65 | | | |
| 475 | Walshville | 21 | 4 | | 1 | | 5 | 1 | | | 1 | | 2 | 24 | 24.00 | | 2 | 2 | 20 | 4 | | | | |
| 476 | Manito | 59 | 4 | | | | 4 | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 60 | 60.00 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 56 | 4 | | | | |
| 477 | Rutland | 72 | 3 | | | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | 4 | 71 | 71.00 | | 5 | 3 | 59 | 12 | 32.00 | | | |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
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| | | | Raised | Reinstated | Admitted | Added for Error | | Suspended | Expelled | Dimitted | Died | Ded. for Error | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 478 | Pleiades | 1242 | 119 | 2 | 2 | ... | 123 | 8 | ... | 20 | 17 | ... | 45 | 1320 | 1320.00 | 24 | 136 | 124 | 1175 | 145 | 1396.57 | 1077.12 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 479 | Wyoming | 120 | 10 | ... | 1 | ... | 11 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 129 | 129.00 | ... | 12 | 10 | 119 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 481 | Momence | 127 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | 2 | ... | 7 | 2 | ... | 11 | 119 | 119.00 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 102 | 17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 482 | Lexington | 71 | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | 4 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 71 | 71.00 | ... | 5 | 2 | 66 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 484 | Edgewood | 62 | 3 | 1 | 1 | ... | 5 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 63 | 63.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 58 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 485 | Xenia | 49 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 47 | 47.00 | ... | ... | 1 | 44 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 486 | Bowen | 68 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 72 | 72.00 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 64 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 487 | Andrew Jackson | 29 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 30 | 30.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 28 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 488 | Clay City | 93 | 14 | ... | ... | ... | 14 | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | 6 | 101 | 101.00 | ... | 13 | 14 | 95 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 489 | Cooper | 57 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 5 | 55 | 55.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 50 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 490 | Shannon | 62 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 63 | 63.00 | ... | 7 | 4 | 51 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 491 | Martin | 44 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45 | 45.00 | ... | ... | 1 | 31 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 492 | Libertyville | 186 | 20 | ... | ... | ... | 20 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 5 | 201 | 201.00 | 4 | 12 | 14 | 175 | 26 | 23.98 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 493 | Tower Hill | 85 | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | 7 | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | 5 | 87 | 87.00 | ... | 8 | 7 | 77 | 10 | 10.00 | 1.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 495 | Stone Fort | 69 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 71 | 71.00 | ... | 5 | 5 | 69 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 496 | Colchester | 93 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 93 | 93.00 | ... | 2 | 3 | 80 | 13 | 58.25 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 497 | Alma | 80 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 79 | 79.00 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 72 | 7 | 298.88 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 498 | Murphysboro | 147 | 8 | 5 | 2 | ... | 15 | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 6 | 156 | 156.00 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 132 | 24 | 10.00 | ..... | 9.80 | 5.00 |
| 500 | St. Paul | 380 | 38 | ... | 6 | ... | 44 | 3 | ... | 8 | 3 | ... | 14 | 410 | 410.00 | 2 | 36 | 38 | 370 | 40 | 73.00 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 501 | Stark | 41 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 38 | 38.00 | ... | 6 | 2 | 29 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 502 | Woodhull | 55 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 54 | 54.00 | ... | 3 | 2 | 36 | 18 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 503 | Odin | 45 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 43 | 43.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 36 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 504 | East St. Louis | 537 | 69 | 1 | 4 | ... | 74 | 1 | ... | 6 | 8 | ... | 15 | 596 | 596.00 | 12 | 75 | 71 | 505 | 91 | 239.19 | ..... | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 505 | Meridian Sun | 107 | 10 | ... | 1 | ... | 11 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 118 | 118.00 | ... | 10 | 12 | 115 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 506 | O. H. Miner | 65 | 4 | 1 | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 69 | 69.00 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 69 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 508 | Home | 578 | 39 | 4 | 2 | ... | 45 | 9 | ... | 4 | 7 | ... | 20 | 603 | 601.00 | 2 | 38 | 39 | 533 | 70 | 442.50 | 287.40 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 509 | Parkersburg | 33 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 33 | 33.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 29 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 510 | John D. Moody | 24 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 26 | 26.00 | ... | 5 | 5 | 24 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 512 | Wade-Barney | 376 | 25 | ... | 18 | ... | 43 | 2 | ... | 4 | 5 | ... | 11 | 408 | 408.00 | 9 | 21 | 22 | 347 | 61 | 65.00 | 8.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 514 | Bradford | 57 | 8 | 1 | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 64 | 64.00 | ... | 16 | 8 | 62 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 516 | Andalusia | 89 | 11 | ... | ... | ... | 11 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 96 | 96.00 | ... | 14 | 11 | 77 | 19 | 216.25 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 517 | Litchfield | 117 | 13 | ... | ... | ... | 13 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 128 | 128.00 | 3 | 13 | 11 | 110 | 18 | 10.00 | 16.60 | ..... | ..... |
| 518 | Abrah'm Lincoln | 109 | 11 | ... | 2 | ... | 13 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 119 | 119.00 | 2 | 18 | 10 | 101 | 18 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 519 | Roseville | 87 | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 95 | 95.00 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 81 | 14 | 35.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 520 | Anna | 132 | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 132 | 130.00 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 120 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

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| 521 | Illiopolis | 95 | 8 | 1 | 1 | | 10 | | | 3 | 5 | | 8 | 97 | 97.00 | 3 | 10 | 8 | 88 | 9 | | | | |
| 522 | Monitor | 489 | 40 | 6 | 6 | | 52 | | | 2 | 6 | | 8 | 533 | 533.00 | 4 | 35 | 38 | 491 | 42 | 207.00 | | | |
| 523 | Chatham | 82 | 7 | | | | 7 | 1 | | 3 | 3 | | 7 | 82 | 82.00 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 72 | 10 | 150.00 | | | |
| 524 | Evans | 551 | 12 | 2 | 2 | | 16 | 24 | | 13 | 8 | | 45 | 522 | 522.00 | 2 | 22 | 17 | 453 | 69 | 25.00 | 27.55 | | |
| 526 | Covenant | 1084 | 38 | 8 | 1 | | 47 | 14 | | 17 | 15 | | 46 | 1085 | 1085.00 | | 38 | 34 | 965 | 120 | 1796.35 | 102.75 | | |
| 527 | Rossville | 123 | 9 | | 1 | | 10 | | | 2 | 2 | | 4 | 129 | 129.00 | 1 | 12 | 10 | 122 | 7 | | | | |
| 528 | Minooka | 70 | 5 | | | | 5 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 74 | 74.00 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 65 | 9 | | | | |
| 529 | Adams | 41 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 42 | 42.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 35 | 7 | | | | |
| 530 | Maquon | 59 | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 60 | 60.00 | | 2 | 2 | 54 | 6 | | | | |
| 531 | Ashton | 92 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | | | | | 94 | 94.00 | 1 | 9 | 4 | 89 | 5 | | 5.00 | | |
| 532 | Seneca | 56 | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 56 | 56.00 | | 2 | 2 | 48 | 8 | | | | |
| 533 | Altamont | 51 | | | | 4 | 4 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 53 | 53.00 | 1 | 2 | | 47 | 6 | | | | |
| 534 | Cuba | 85 | 3 | 1 | | | 4 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 87 | 87.00 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 82 | 5 | | | | |
| 535 | Sherman | 71 | 8 | | | | 8 | | | 2 | | 1 | 3 | 76 | 76.00 | | 9 | 8 | 67 | 9 | 16.50 | | | |
| 536 | Plainfield | 133 | 12 | | 1 | | 13 | | | 3 | | | 3 | 143 | 143.00 | 2 | 15 | 13 | 137 | 6 | 92.00 | | | |
| 537 | J. R. Gorin | 60 | 5 | 1 | | | 6 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 64 | 64.00 | | 2 | 5 | 56 | 8 | | | | |
| 538 | Lockport | 137 | 12 | | 1 | | 13 | 2 | | 2 | 3 | | 7 | 143 | 143.00 | | 14 | 11 | 105 | 38 | 45.00 | | | |
| 539 | Chatsworth | 52 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | 2 | 2 | | 4 | 50 | 50.00 | | 2 | 2 | 46 | 4 | 10.00 | | | |
| 540 | Oak Park | 885 | 58 | 3 | 29 | 1 | 91 | 8 | | 16 | 12 | | 36 | 940 | 940.00 | 8 | 56 | 55 | 864 | 76 | 419.17 | 110.95 | | |
| 541 | Stewardson | 31 | 5 | 1 | 1 | | 7 | 6 | | | | | 6 | 32 | 32.00 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 29 | 3 | 20.00 | 50.00 | | |
| 542 | Towanda | 52 | 6 | | | | 6 | | | 3 | | | 3 | 55 | 55.00 | | 3 | 3 | 50 | 5 | | | | |
| 544 | Virginia | 113 | 3 | | 1 | | 4 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 115 | 115.00 | | 3 | 3 | 103 | 12 | | | | |
| 547 | Valley | 56 | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 56 | 56.00 | | | | 48 | 8 | 25.00 | | | |
| 550 | Sharon | 76 | 3 | | | | 3 | | | 1 | 3 | | 4 | 75 | 75.00 | | 7 | 4 | 72 | 3 | | 17.80 | | |
| 552 | Long Point | 34 | 7 | | 1 | | 8 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 41 | 41.00 | | 7 | 7 | 38 | 3 | 3.80 | 18.00 | | |
| 554 | Plum River | 199 | 15 | | 1 | | 16 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 214 | 214.00 | 1 | 16 | 12 | 179 | 35 | 50.00 | | | |
| 555 | Humboldt | 198 | 25 | | 1 | | 26 | 1 | | 3 | 3 | | 7 | 217 | 217.00 | 2 | 27 | 25 | 194 | 23 | | | | |
| 556 | Dawson | 52 | | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | 51 | 51.00 | | 1 | 1 | 49 | 2 | | | | |
| 557 | Lessing | 252 | 10 | | 1 | | 11 | 1 | | 2 | 6 | | 9 | 254 | 254.00 | 3 | 16 | 15 | 238 | 16 | 225.00 | 75.00 | | |
| 558 | Leland | 66 | 7 | | | | 7 | 1 | | 1 | | | 2 | 71 | 71.00 | | 6 | 7 | 64 | 7 | 4.00 | | | |
| 559 | Thomson | 33 | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 34 | 34.00 | | 1 | | 32 | 2 | | | | |
| 560 | Madison | 39 | 3 | | | | 3 | 1 | | 2 | | | 3 | 39 | 39.00 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 31 | 8 | | | | |
| 562 | Trinity | 123 | 5 | | | | 5 | 3 | | 3 | 2 | | 8 | 120 | 120.00 | | 4 | 5 | 100 | 20 | | | | |
| 564 | Winslow | 59 | | | | | | | | | | | | 59 | 59.00 | | | | 49 | 10 | | | | |
| 565 | Pleasant Hill | 40 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | | | | | 42 | 42.00 | | 2 | 2 | 40 | 2 | 24.30 | | | |
| 566 | Albany | 71 | | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 70 | 70.00 | | | | 57 | 13 | | | | |
| 567 | Frankfort | 111 | 9 | 1 | 5 | | 15 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 125 | 125.00 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 117 | 8 | 6.00 | 25.00 | | |
| 569 | Time | 32 | 3 | | | | 3 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 34 | 34.00 | | 2 | 3 | 29 | 5 | | | | |
| 570 | Jacksonville | 215 | 12 | 2 | 4 | | 18 | 4 | | 4 | 2 | | 10 | 223 | 223.00 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 188 | 35 | 30.00 | | | |
| 572 | Bardolph | 35 | 4 | | 1 | | 5 | | | | | | | 40 | 40.00 | | 6 | 3 | 36 | 4 | | | | |
| 573 | Gardner | 145 | 19 | | 1 | | 20 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 163 | 163.00 | 1 | 24 | 19 | 150 | 13 | | | | |
| 574 | Pera | 49 | 5 | | 1 | | 6 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 54 | 54.00 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 51 | 3 | | | | |
| 575 | Capron | 89 | 3 | | | | 3 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 90 | 90.00 | | 5 | 5 | 80 | 10 | | | | |
| 576 | O'Fallon | 81 | 7 | | | | 7 | | | 3 | 1 | | 4 | 84 | 84.00 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 79 | 5 | | 2.00 | | |
| 577 | Viola | 75 | 3 | 1 | | | 4 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 78 | 78.00 | | 2 | 3 | 71 | 7 | | | | |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
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| 578 | Prairie City | 47 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 3 | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 7 | 47 | 47.00 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 41 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 580 | Hazel Dell | 49 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | 46 | 46.00 | ... | 6 | 4 | 40 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 581 | Dongola | 67 | 10 | ... | 3 | ... | 13 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 76 | 76.00 | ... | 13 | 13 | 70 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 582 | Shirley | 46 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 4 | 45 | 45.00 | ... | 1 | 3 | 40 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 583 | Highland | 96 | 9 | ... | 1 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 5 | 101 | 101.00 | ... | 12 | 12 | 84 | 17 | ..... | 48.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 584 | Vesper | 269 | 28 | ... | 1 | 2 | 31 | 5 | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 9 | 291 | 291.00 | 3 | 27 | 25 | 260 | 31 | 50.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 585 | Fisher | 44 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45 | 45.00 | ... | ... | 1 | 45 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 587 | Princeton | 196 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 196 | 196.00 | 1 | 8 | 10 | 171 | 25 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 588 | Troy | 46 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 48 | 48.00 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 42 | 6 | 75.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 590 | Fairmount | 69 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 71 | 71.00 | ... | 4 | 4 | 63 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 591 | Gilman | 99 | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 105 | 105.00 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 92 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 592 | Fieldon | 26 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 31 | 31.00 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 29 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 595 | Miles Hart | 63 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 65 | 65.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 54 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 600 | Cerro Gordo | 121 | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | 8 | 1 | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 6 | 123 | 123.00 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 110 | 13 | ..... | 25.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 601 | Farina | 64 | 6 | .. | ... | ... | 6 | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 4 | 66 | 66.00 | ... | 6 | 6 | 61 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 602 | Watson | 40 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | 36 | 36.00 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 31 | 5 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 603 | Clark | 146 | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 11 | 138 | 138.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 116 | 22 | 6.75 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 604 | Hebron | 95 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 94 | 94.00 | ... | ... | ... | 85 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 607 | Streator | 283 | 21 | ... | 2 | ... | 23 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 302 | 302.00 | 3 | 26 | 20 | 271 | 32 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 608 | Piper | 88 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | 89 | 89.00 | ... | 2 | 3 | 83 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 609 | Sheldon | 115 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 6 | 110 | 110.00 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 93 | 17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 610 | Union Park | 1229 | 84 | 7 | 1 | ... | 92 | 8 | ... | 19 | 6 | ... | 33 | 1288 | 1288.00 | 28 | 97 | 85 | 1157 | 131 | 325.00 | 27.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 611 | Lincoln Park | 751 | 35 | 1 | 1 | ... | 37 | 8 | ... | 12 | 15 | ... | 35 | 753 | 753.00 | 4 | 34 | 36 | 682 | 71 | 406.55 | 75.10 | 41.26 | ..... |
| 612 | Rock River | 339 | 31 | ... | 2 | ... | 33 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 369 | 369.00 | 5 | 42 | 23 | 302 | 67 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 613 | Patoka | 70 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 68 | 68.00 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 62 | 6 | ..... | 5.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 614 | Forrest | 94 | 14 | 1 | 2 | ... | 17 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 111 | 111.00 | 4 | 14 | 14 | 106 | 5 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 616 | Wadley | 79 | 12 | ... | ... | ... | 12 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 88 | 88.00 | ... | 6 | 7 | 75 | 13 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 617 | Good Hope | 61 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 60 | 60.00 | ... | ... | 1 | 59 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 618 | Basco | 21 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 19 | 19.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 18 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 620 | New Hope | 28 | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 30 | 30.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 22 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 622 | Hopedale | 55 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 53 | 53.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 47 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 623 | Locust | 37 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 38 | 38.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 38 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 627 | Union | 38 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 37 | 37.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 34 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 630 | Tuscan | 59 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | 6 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 63 | 63.00 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 61 | 2 | 50.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
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| 632 | Ridge Farm | 91 | 10 | ... | 1 | ... | 11 | ... | 1 | 4 | 1 | ... | 6 | 96 | 96.00 | 1 | 11 | 10 | 85 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 633 | E. F. W. Ellis | 228 | 13 | ... | 1 | ... | 14 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 238 | 238.00 | 6 | 14 | 12 | 210 | 28 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 634 | Buckley | 27 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 23 | 23.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 23 | ... | 20.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 635 | Rochester | 76 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 80 | 80.00 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 74 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 636 | Peotone | 96 | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 101 | 101.00 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 91 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 639 | Keystone | 693 | 39 | ... | ... | ... | 39 | ... | ... | 10 | 12 | ... | 22 | 710 | 710.00 | 16 | 42 | 42 | 659 | 51 | 594.75 | 140.95 | 50.00 | ..... |
| 641 | Comet | 76 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | 4 | 79 | 79.00 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 68 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 642 | Apollo | 682 | 48 | 3 | 4 | ... | 55 | 1 | ... | 5 | 6 | ... | 12 | 725 | 725.00 | 5 | 52 | 59 | 666 | 59 | 501.20 | 129.30 | ..... | ..... |
| 643 | D. C. Cregier | 760 | 36 | 2 | 1 | ... | 39 | 3 | ... | 3 | 16 | ... | 22 | 777 | 777.00 | 11 | 35 | 39 | 731 | 46 | 338.00 | 224.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 644 | Oblong City | 125 | 11 | ... | 1 | ... | 12 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | 134 | 134.00 | ... | 14 | 13 | 89 | 45 | 12.00 | 32.43 | ..... | ..... |
| 645 | San Jose | 40 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 44 | 44.00 | ... | 3 | 7 | 37 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 646 | Somonauk | 108 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 112 | 112.00 | ... | 8 | 7 | 109 | 3 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 647 | Blueville | 91 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | 90 | 90.00 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 90 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 648 | Camden | 62 | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 62 | 62.00 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 57 | 5 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 651 | Atwood | 87 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 87 | 87.00 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 77 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 653 | Greenview | 97 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 103 | 103.00 | 5 | 8 | 6 | 91 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 655 | Yorktown | 93 | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 95 | 95.00 | ... | 3 | 2 | 80 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 656 | Mozart | 92 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 91 | 91.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 87 | 4 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 657 | Lafayette | 36 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 36 | 36.00 | 1 | 2 | ... | 29 | 7 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 658 | Rock Island | 361 | 27 | ... | 7 | ... | 34 | 5 | ... | 4 | 4 | ... | 13 | 382 | 382.00 | 4 | 35 | 33 | 324 | 58 | 150.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 659 | Lambert | 377 | 31 | 1 | 7 | ... | 39 | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | 6 | 410 | 410.00 | ... | 32 | 32 | 338 | 72 | 87.45 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 660 | Grand Chain | 30 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 32 | 32.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 26 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 662 | South Park | 436 | 22 | 3 | 3 | ... | 28 | 3 | ... | 5 | 3 | ... | 11 | 453 | 453.00 | 1 | 23 | 24 | 381 | 72 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
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| 666 | Crawford | 73 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 77 | 77.00 | ... | 7 | 6 | 67 | 10 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 667 | Erie | 89 | 5 | ... | 2 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 94 | 94.00 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 83 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 668 | Burnt Prairie | 58 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 58 | 58.00 | ... | 5 | 4 | 51 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 669 | Herder | 313 | 27 | 2 | ... | ... | 29 | 3 | ... | 1 | 12 | ... | 16 | 326 | 326.00 | 1 | 31 | 31 | 304 | 22 | 262.00 | 608.60 | ..... | ..... |
| 670 | Fillmore | 66 | 3 | 2 | ... | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 70 | 70.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 43 | 27 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 672 | Eddyville | 37 | 2 | ... | 1 | 2 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 39 | 39.00 | ... | ... | 2 | 34 | 5 | 77.60 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 673 | Normal | 128 | 14 | ... | 2 | ... | 16 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 142 | 142.00 | 1 | 8 | 11 | 122 | 20 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 674 | Waldeck | 365 | 36 | ... | ... | ... | 36 | ... | ... | 1 | 9 | ... | 10 | 391 | 391.00 | 4 | 43 | 36 | 365 | 26 | 102.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 675 | Pawnee | 153 | 11 | 3 | 1 | ... | 15 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 164 | 164.00 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 150 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 676 | A. O. Fay | 276 | 20 | 1 | 2 | ... | 23 | 1 | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 8 | 291 | 291.00 | 4 | 21 | 21 | 209 | 82 | 85.50 | 42.85 | 25.00 | ..... |
| 677 | Enfield | 82 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 8 | 78 | 78.00 | ... | 4 | 4 | 66 | 12 | 30.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 679 | Buffalo Prairie | 101 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 100 | 100.00 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 92 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 680 | Clement | 68 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 69 | 69.00 | ... | 5 | 2 | 59 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 681 | Morrisonville | 86 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 84 | 83.00 | ... | 1 | ... | 71 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 682 | Blue Mound | 98 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | 3 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 6 | 98 | 98.00 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 96 | 2 | 168.00 | 36.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 683 | Burnside | 91 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 94 | 94.00 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 77 | 17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 684 | Galatia | 51 | 5 | ... | 1 | 3 | 9 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 57 | 57.00 | ... | 5 | 5 | 54 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 685 | Rio | 89 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 90 | 90.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 77 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 686 | Garfield | 1082 | 79 | 4 | 2 | ... | 85 | 6 | ... | 20 | 17 | ... | 43 | 1124 | 1124.00 | 3 | 76 | 74 | 1012 | 112 | 778.10 | 268.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 687 | Orangeville | 63 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 7 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 9 | 56 | 56.00 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 53 | 3 | 18.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Raised | Reinstated | Admitted | Added for Error | | Suspended | Expelled | Dimitted | Died | Ded. for Err'r | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 688 | Clifton | 68 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 69 | 69.00 | ... | ... | ... | 67 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 690 | Englewood | 1040 | 45 | 4 | 4 | ... | 53 | 20 | ... | 27 | 21 | ... | 68 | 1025 | 1023.00 | 6 | 46 | 45 | 899 | 126 | 498.78 | ..... | 100.00 | ..... |
| 691 | Iola | 19 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 18 | 18.00 | ... | ... | ... | 15 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 692 | Raymond | 85 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 85 | 85.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 79 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 693 | Herrin's Prairie | 245 | 9 | ... | 3 | ... | 12 | ... | ... | 3 | 3 | ... | 6 | 251 | 251.00 | 5 | 13 | 12 | 236 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 695 | Shiloh Hill | 38 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40 | 40.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 30 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 696 | Belle Rive | 54 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 56 | 56.00 | ... | 4 | 4 | 43 | 13 | 34.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 697 | Richard Cole | 589 | 31 | 4 | 2 | ... | 37 | 5 | ... | 3 | 8 | ... | 16 | 610 | 609.00 | 7 | 29 | 31 | 554 | 56 | 1079.30 | 58.90 | ..... | ..... |
| 698 | Hutton | 47 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 52 | 52.00 | ... | 7 | 6 | 49 | 3 | ..... | 25.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 700 | Pleasant Prairie | 73 | 8 | ... | 1 | 1 | 10 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 81 | 80.00 | ... | 12 | 11 | 74 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 701 | Temple Hill | 31 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 29 | 29.00 | ... | ... | ... | 29 | ... | 15.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 702 | Alexandria | 77 | 3 | 2 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 80 | 80.00 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 77 | 3 | 16.70 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 704 | Braidwood | 227 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 5 | ... | 5 | 3 | 4 | 17 | 217 | 217.00 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 186 | 31 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 705 | Ewing | 47 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 44 | 43.00 | ... | 3 | 2 | 40 | 4 | 13.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 706 | Joppa | 72 | 2 | 1 | 3 | ... | 6 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 76 | 76.00 | ... | ... | ... | 67 | 9 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 709 | Star | 189 | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 4 | 6 | ... | 10 | 185 | 185.00 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 170 | 15 | 77.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 710 | Farmer City | 72 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 73 | 73.00 | ... | 8 | 5 | 68 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 711 | Providence | 498 | 29 | ... | ... | ... | 29 | 12 | ... | 24 | 6 | ... | 42 | 485 | 485.00 | 2 | 33 | 30 | 463 | 22 | 215.85 | ..... | 25.00 | ..... |
| 712 | Collinsville | 148 | 18 | ... | ... | ... | 18 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | 161 | 161.00 | 1 | 11 | 16 | 128 | 33 | ..... | 1.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 713 | Johnsonville | 54 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 55 | 55.00 | ... | 2 | ... | 46 | 9 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 714 | Collison | 102 | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 106 | 106.00 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 94 | 12 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 715 | Elvaston | 28 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 27 | 27.00 | 1 | ... | 1 | 22 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 716 | Calumet | 359 | 24 | ... | 1 | ... | 25 | 2 | ... | 4 | 6 | ... | 12 | 372 | 372.00 | 6 | 13 | 12 | 354 | 18 | 133.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 717 | Arcana | 872 | 63 | 1 | 3 | ... | 67 | 7 | ... | 40 | 11 | ... | 58 | 881 | 881.00 | 20 | 53 | 59 | 806 | 75 | 584.32 | 286.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 718 | May | 42 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 51 | 51.00 | 3 | 10 | 10 | 42 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 719 | Chapel Hill | 26 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | 2 | 2 | ... | 5 | 23 | 23.00 | ... | 1 | ... | 23 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 721 | Rome | 35 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | 34 | 34.00 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 31 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 722 | Walnut | 119 | 11 | ... | 3 | ... | 14 | 2 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 5 | 128 | 128.00 | 1 | 11 | 10 | 114 | 14 | 10.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 723 | Omaha | 41 | 8 | ... | 2 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 46 | 46.00 | ... | 3 | 4 | 40 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 724 | Chandlerville | 105 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 106 | 106.00 | ... | 3 | 2 | 98 | 8 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 725 | Rankin | 74 | 6 | 1 | ... | 3 | 10 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 83 | 83.00 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 73 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 726 | Golden Rule | 951 | 22 | 6 | ... | ... | 28 | 28 | ... | 9 | 16 | 1 | 54 | 925 | 925.00 | ... | 33 | 25 | 786 | 139 | 1383.40 | 240.00 | 25.00 | ..... |
| 727 | Raritan | 38 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 36 | 36.00 | ... | 2 | ... | 34 | 2 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 728 | Waterman | 33 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 30 | 30.00 | ... | ... | ... | 29 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

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| 729 | Lake Creek | 89 | 17 | ... | 1 | ... | 18 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 107 | 105.00 | 6 | 18 | 17 | 103 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 730 | Eldorado | 126 | 18 | ... | 2 | ... | 20 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 140 | 146.00 | 7 | 21 | 19 | 132 | 14 | 108.00 | 100.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 731 | Harbor | 580 | 70 | ... | 5 | ... | 75 | 4 | ... | 5 | 4 | ... | 13 | 642 | 641.00 | 15 | 68 | 64 | 546 | 96 | 20.00 | 88.25 | ..... | ..... |
| 732 | Carman | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24 | 24.00 | ... | ... | ... | 24 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 733 | Gibson | 139 | 7 | ... | 3 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 3 | 4 | ... | 7 | 142 | 142.00 | 3 | 11 | 8 | 130 | 12 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 734 | Morning Star | 292 | 24 | ... | 1 | ... | 25 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 12 | 305 | 304.00 | 13 | 18 | 21 | 286 | 19 | 67.85 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 735 | Sheridan | 94 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 7 | 92 | 92.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 81 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 737 | Arrowsmith | 48 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | 47 | 47.00 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 41 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 738 | Saunemin | 88 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 95 | 95.00 | ... | 10 | 8 | 81 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 739 | Lakeside | 494 | 39 | 3 | 1 | ... | 43 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | .. | 5 | 532 | 531.00 | 3 | 36 | 41 | 455 | 77 | 8.75 | 99.85 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 741 | New Holland | 34 | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 41 | 41.00 | ... | 3 | 4 | 37 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 742 | Danvers | 66 | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 73 | 73.00 | 3 | 12 | 8 | 68 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 743 | Scott Land | 51 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 56 | 56.00 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 42 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 744 | Goode | 110 | 13 | ... | ... | ... | 13 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 121 | 121.00 | 13 | 17 | 13 | 118 | 3 | 100.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 745 | Winnebago | 66 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 67 | 67.00 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 62 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 746 | Weldon | 65 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 65 | 65.00 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 63 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 747 | Centennial | 56 | 7 | ... | 4 | 1 | 12 | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 6 | 62 | 62.00 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 52 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 748 | Alta | 84 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 84 | 84.00 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 72 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 749 | Akin | 82 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 86 | 86.00 | ... | 5 | 8 | 79 | 7 | 61.90 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 750 | Lyndon | 55 | 2 | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 6 | 53 | 53.00 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 44 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 751 | Lounsbury | 98 | 12 | 1 | ... | ... | 13 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 2 | 109 | 108.00 | ... | 12 | 12 | 99 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 752 | Allendale | 44 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 50 | 50.00 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 48 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 754 | Ogden | 99 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 101 | 101.00 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 89 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 755 | Pre-emption | 78 | 8 | 1 | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 86 | 86.00 | 1 | 12 | 14 | 74 | 12 | 6.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 756 | Hardinsville | 113 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 115 | 115.00 | ... | 5 | 3 | 68 | 47 | 160.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 757 | Verona | 78 | 2 | ... | 3 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 82 | 82.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 74 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 758 | Mystic Star | 1029 | 58 | 7 | 3 | ... | 68 | 1 | ... | 6 | 13 | ... | 20 | 1077 | 1077.00 | 16 | 56 | 58 | 953 | 124 | 659.20 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 759 | Orel | 72 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 74 | 74.00 | ... | 2 | 3 | 66 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 761 | Sibley | 47 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | 6 | 44 | 44.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 37 | 7 | ..... | ..... | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 762 | Van Meter | 101 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 104 | 104.00 | 4 | 7 | 7 | 98 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 763 | Crete | 88 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 92 | 92.00 | ... | 9 | 5 | 77 | 15 | 110.00 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 764 | Sullivan | 206 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 5 | 206 | 206.00 | 3 | 11 | 11 | 185 | 21 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 765 | Palace | 471 | 22 | 1 | ... | ... | 23 | 5 | ... | 4 | 7 | ... | 16 | 478 | 477.00 | 3 | 25 | 23 | 420 | 58 | 80.00 | 47.40 | ..... | ..... |
| 766 | Littleton | 26 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 24 | 24.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 24 | ... | 56.08 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 767 | Triluminar | 539 | 70 | ... | 6 | ... | 76 | 5 | ... | 5 | 10 | ... | 20 | 595 | 595.00 | 22 | 70 | 68 | 525 | 70 | 13.00 | 45.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 768 | Mizpah | 912 | 65 | 3 | 5 | ... | 73 | 3 | ... | 12 | 6 | ... | 21 | 964 | 963.00 | 9 | 78 | 65 | 869 | 95 | 255.58 | 147.60 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 769 | St. Elmo | 97 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 5 | 99 | 98.00 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 92 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 770 | La Grange | 327 | 24 | 4 | 7 | ... | 35 | 2 | ... | 6 | 4 | ... | 12 | 350 | 350.00 | 3 | 26 | 23 | 326 | 24 | 80.00 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 771 | Bay City | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24 | 24.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 20 | 4 | 10.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 772 | New Burnside | 35 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 38 | 38.00 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 35 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 773 | Mansfield | 54 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 54 | 54.00 | ... | 7 | 3 | 50 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 774 | Lake View | 1044 | 82 | 3 | 1 | ... | 86 | 13 | ... | 10 | 6 | ... | 29 | 1101 | 1101.00 | 8 | 81 | 79 | 1020 | 81 | 384.94 | 177.20 | 25.00 | 50.00 |
| 776 | Grand Crossing | 709 | 29 | 2 | 5 | ... | 36 | 8 | ... | 13 | 6 | ... | 27 | 718 | 718.00 | 4 | 24 | 27 | 644 | 74 | 328.40 | 72.45 | ..... | ..... |
| 777 | Ravenswood | 669 | 48 | 2 | 7 | ... | 57 | 6 | ... | 16 | 4 | ... | 26 | 700 | 700.00 | 3 | 42 | 40 | 627 | 73 | 233.16 | 67.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 778 | Gurney | 47 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 45 | 45.00 | ... | ... | ... | 34 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
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| | | | Raised | Reinstated | Admitted | Added for Error | | Suspended | Expelled | Dimitted | Died | Ded. for Error | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 779 | Wright's Grove | 703 | 59 | ... | 3 | ... | 62 | 2 | ... | 29 | 8 | ... | 39 | 726 | 726.00 | 13 | 46 | 51 | 685 | 41 | 550.00 | 110.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 780 | Siloam | 697 | 51 | 5 | 3 | ... | 59 | ... | ... | 14 | 8 | ... | 22 | 734 | 734.00 | 3 | 46 | 57 | 657 | 77 | 933.28 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 782 | Potomac | 99 | 11 | 1 | 3 | ... | 15 | 3 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 5 | 109 | 109.00 | 2 | 12 | 10 | 100 | 9 | 50.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 783 | Constantia | 372 | 26 | 1 | 1 | ... | 28 | 4 | ... | 4 | 11 | ... | 19 | 381 | 381.00 | 2 | 27 | 27 | 349 | 32 | 180.70 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 784 | Beacon Light | 170 | 6 | 1 | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | ... | 8 | 170 | 170.00 | ... | 6 | 6 | 155 | 15 | 140.00 | 8.50 | 5.00 | ..... |
| 786 | Riverton Union | 87 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 89 | 89.00 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 82 | 7 | 121.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 787 | Morris | 111 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 121 | 121.00 | 2 | 9 | 10 | 105 | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 788 | Lerna | 63 | 4 | 2 | ... | ... | 6 | 5 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 9 | 60 | 60.00 | .. | 3 | 3 | 51 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 789 | Auburn Park | 604 | 49 | 5 | 6 | .. | 60 | 6 | ... | 7 | 6 | ... | 19 | 645 | 645.00 | 3 | 65 | 58 | 583 | 62 | 786.00 | 93.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 790 | Pittsfield | 127 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 5 | 127 | 127.00 | ... | 3 | 4 | 112 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 791 | Broadlands | 76 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 75 | 75.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 62 | 13 | 15.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 792 | Calhoun | 56 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | 58 | 58.00 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 48 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 793 | A. T. Darrah | 53 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | .. | 56 | 56.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 46 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 794 | Tadmor | 20 | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 22 | 22.00 | ... | 4 | 4 | 21 | 1 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 795 | Myrtle | 578 | 54 | ... | 9 | ... | 63 | 6 | ... | 7 | 6 | ... | 19 | 622 | 622.00 | 7 | 54 | 56 | 582 | 40 | 260.00 | 60.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 796 | E. M. Husted | 108 | 8 | 1 | 2 | ... | 11 | 6 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 9 | 110 | 110.00 | ... | 9 | 12 | 98 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 797 | Normal Park | 949 | 74 | 1 | 21 | ... | 96 | 8 | ... | 10 | 6 | ... | 24 | 1021 | 1021.00 | 6 | 101 | 82 | 897 | 124 | 213.20 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 798 | Sidell | 81 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 83 | 83.00 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 71 | 12 | 74.00 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 799 | Colfax | 86 | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 5 | 90 | 90.00 | 1 | 15 | 9 | 83 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 800 | Kenwood | 795 | 44 | 1 | 4 | ... | 49 | 6 | ... | 19 | 9 | ... | 34 | 810 | 810.00 | 3 | 42 | 44 | 665 | 145 | 647.60 | 119.25 | ..... | ..... |
| 801 | Sangamon | 65 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 65 | 65.00 | ... | 2 | 1 | 54 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 802 | Williamson | 133 | 10 | ... | 2 | ... | 12 | ... | 1 | 3 | 1 | ... | 5 | 140 | 140.00 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 109 | 31 | 60.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 803 | Neponset | 55 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 54 | 54.00 | 1 | ... | ... | 53 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 804 | Kensington | 452 | 16 | ... | ... | ... | 16 | ... | ... | 5 | 10 | ... | 15 | 453 | 453.00 | 7 | 22 | 18 | 404 | 49 | 195.00 | 45.30 | 15.00 | ..... |
| 805 | S. M. Dalzell | 145 | 14 | 1 | ... | ... | 15 | ... | ... | 4 | 3 | ... | 7 | 152 | 152.00 | .. | 4 | 3 | 147 | 6 | ..... | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 806 | Nebo | 56 | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | 56 | 56.00 | 1 | 1 | ... | 40 | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 807 | Royal | 50 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 51 | 51.00 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 48 | 3 | 12.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 808 | Cornland | 74 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 76 | 76.00 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 64 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 809 | Gilham | 57 | 3 | 1 | .. | ... | 4 | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 7 | 54 | 54.00 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 48 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 810 | Tracy | 338 | 9 | 3 | 5 | ... | 17 | 1 | ... | 40 | 3 | ... | 44 | 311 | 311.00 | ... | 13 | 10 | 273 | 38 | 124.00 | 170.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 811 | Melvin | 68 | 8 | ... | 1 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 76 | 76.00 | ... | 4 | 8 | 65 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 812 | De Land | 37 | 6 | ... | .. | ... | 6 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 38 | 38.00 | ... | 4 | 8 | 37 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 813 | Humboldt Park | 882 | 86 | 2 | 2 | ... | 90 | 4 | 1 | 12 | 8 | ... | 25 | 947 | 947.00 | 12 | 89 | 93 | 867 | 80 | 752.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 814 | Ohio | 24 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 26 | 26.00 | ... | 1 | 2 | 26 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

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| 815 | Lawn | 345 | 31 | 8 | 2 | ... | 41 | 6 | ... | 8 | 6 | 1 | 21 | 365 | 365.00 | 4 | 37 | 35 | 333 | 32 | 160.00 | 75.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 816 | Ridgeway | 56 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 54 | 54.00 | 1 | ... | 1 | 50 | 4 | 3.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 817 | Creal Springs | 81 | 2 | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | ... | 5 | 80 | 80.00 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 75 | 5 | 24.10 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 818 | Ben Hur | 545 | 56 | 1 | 2 | ... | 59 | 3 | ... | 6 | 4 | ... | 13 | 591 | 591.00 | 13 | 38 | 43 | 570 | 21 | 748.48 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 819 | Columbian | 662 | 62 | 3 | 3 | ... | 68 | 3 | ... | 10 | 3 | ... | 16 | 714 | 714.00 | 15 | 60 | 56 | 667 | 47 | 573.10 | 215.00 | 15.00 | 15.00 |
| 820 | Henderson | 79 | 8 | ... | 1 | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 84 | 84.00 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 72 | 12 | 58.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 821 | New Canton | 71 | 4 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 74 | 74.00 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 72 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 822 | Belknap | 79 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 80 | 80.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 70 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 823 | Pearl | 79 | 5 | 1 | 1 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 84 | 84.00 | ... | 7 | 5 | 72 | 12 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 824 | Grove | 246 | 14 | ... | 5 | ... | 19 | 5 | ... | 5 | 6 | ... | 16 | 249 | 249.00 | 5 | 16 | 15 | 219 | 30 | 147.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 825 | Arthur | 92 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 95 | 95.00 | ... | 4 | 7 | 81 | 14 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 826 | Mazon | 120 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | 3 | ... | 7 | 117 | 117.00 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 104 | 13 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 827 | Sequoit | 89 | 10 | ... | 2 | ... | 12 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 99 | 99.00 | 4 | 8 | 10 | 86 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 829 | Edgar | 91 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 96 | 96.00 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 88 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 830 | Rockport | 69 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 69 | 69.00 | ... | ... | 1 | 52 | 17 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 831 | Findlay | 97 | 3 | ... | 1 | ... | 4 | 9 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 14 | 87 | 87.00 | ... | 4 | 3 | 75 | 12 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 832 | Harvey | 324 | 27 | ... | 8 | ... | 35 | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 4 | 355 | 355.00 | 10 | 24 | 24 | 316 | 39 | 25.00 | 21.20 | ..... | ..... |
| 833 | Dean | 56 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 56 | 56.00 | 1 | 10 | 5 | 54 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 834 | Toledo | 76 | 9 | ... | 1 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 84 | 84.00 | ... | 8 | 8 | 74 | 10 | 30.84 | 80.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 835 | Triple | 95 | 13 | 1 | 4 | ... | 18 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 3 | 110 | 110.00 | 6 | 14 | 13 | 85 | 25 | 87.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 836 | Windsor Park | 446 | 39 | ... | 2 | ... | 41 | 8 | ... | 6 | 2 | ... | 16 | 471 | 471.00 | 2 | 40 | 39 | 408 | 63 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 837 | Hindsboro | 97 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 95 | 95.00 | ... | 4 | 1 | 84 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 838 | Charity | 42 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 49 | 49.00 | ... | 7 | 8 | 45 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 839 | Berwyn | 247 | 14 | ... | 4 | ... | 18 | 1 | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | 7 | 258 | 258.00 | 1 | 14 | 14 | 245 | 13 | 80.00 | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 840 | Alto Pass | 58 | 6 | ... | 1 | ... | 7 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 63 | 63.00 | ... | 8 | 7 | 58 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 841 | Woodlawn Park | 808 | 36 | ... | 5 | ... | 41 | ... | ... | 5 | 7 | ... | 12 | 837 | 837.00 | 1 | 29 | 30 | 725 | 112 | 500.40 | 164.15 | ..... | ..... |
| 842 | Fides | 263 | 13 | ... | ... | ... | 13 | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 7 | 269 | 269.00 | 2 | 18 | 16 | 243 | 26 | ..... | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 843 | Park | 534 | 39 | 1 | 12 | ... | 52 | 4 | ... | 26 | 2 | ... | 32 | 554 | 554.00 | 3 | 45 | 35 | 506 | 48 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 845 | Martinton | 39 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 3 | 37 | 37.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 31 | 6 | 48.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 846 | Bluffs | 50 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 49 | 49.00 | ... | 3 | 2 | 46 | 3 | 30.16 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 847 | Stronghurst | 68 | 6 | ... | 2 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | 73 | 73.00 | ... | 13 | 8 | 65 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 848 | London | 41 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 43 | 43.00 | ... | ... | 2 | 40 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 849 | Palestine | 93 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 6 | 93 | 93.00 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 81 | 12 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 850 | Austin | 971 | 92 | 4 | 22 | ... | 118 | 2 | ... | 18 | 12 | ... | 32 | 1057 | 1057.00 | 9 | 104 | 91 | 1001 | 56 | 785.42 | 219.10 | 25.00 | ..... |
| 851 | Chicago Heights | 307 | 12 | ... | 1 | ... | 13 | 3 | ... | 7 | 2 | ... | 12 | 308 | 308.00 | 4 | 12 | 14 | 254 | 54 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 852 | Gothic | 527 | 63 | ... | 18 | ... | 81 | 5 | ... | 6 | 3 | ... | 14 | 594 | 594.00 | 36 | 60 | 64 | 502 | 92 | 204.50 | 132.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 853 | Latham | 50 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 4 | 54 | 54.00 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 49 | 5 | 14.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 854 | Brighton Park | 416 | 33 | 2 | 2 | ... | 37 | 4 | ... | 5 | 4 | ... | 13 | 440 | 440.00 | 6 | 28 | 32 | 402 | 38 | 150.00 | 175.84 | 25.00 | ..... |
| 855 | King Oscar | 815 | 73 | ... | 3 | ... | 76 | ... | ... | 7 | 8 | ... | 15 | 876 | 875.00 | 2 | 66 | 64 | 840 | 36 | 136.00 | 40.00 | 10.00 | ..... |
| 856 | West Gate | 44 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45 | 45.00 | ... | ... | ... | 37 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 857 | Boyd D | 87 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 88 | 88.00 | ... | 3 | 5 | 75 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 858 | Utica | 43 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 47 | 47.00 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 44 | 3 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 859 | Apple River | 61 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 64 | 64.00 | ... | 4 | 4 | 58 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 860 | Metropolitan | 612 | 41 | ... | 3 | ... | 44 | 11 | ... | 10 | 5 | ... | 26 | 630 | 630.00 | 5 | 38 | 35 | 600 | 30 | 120.00 | 122.75 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 861 | Sorento | 31 | 5 | ... | 1 | 1 | 7 | 2 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 4 | 34 | 34.00 | 2 | 12 | 4 | 34 | ... | ..... | 2.76 | ..... | ..... |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
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| 862 | Riverside | 138 | 18 | ... | 3 | 1 | 22 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 158 | 158.00 | ... | 23 | 19 | 143 | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 863 | St. Andrews | 469 | 29 | 2 | ... | ... | 31 | 11 | ... | 11 | 2 | ... | 24 | 476 | 476.00 | 9 | 29 | 23 | 409 | 67 | 632.00 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 864 | Olympia | 482 | 38 | 1 | 2 | ... | 41 | 5 | ... | 13 | 4 | ... | 22 | 501 | 501.00 | 6 | 34 | 36 | 448 | 53 | 105.00 | 102.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 865 | St. Cecilia | 431 | 32 | 3 | 5 | ... | 40 | 9 | ... | 5 | 6 | ... | 20 | 451 | 451.00 | 8 | 43 | 33 | 408 | 43 | 469.90 | 10.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 866 | West Salem | 51 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 52 | 52.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 43 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 867 | Chadwick | 83 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 86 | 86.00 | ... | 3 | 3 | 82 | 4 | ..... | 20.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 868 | Cornell | 25 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 24 | 24.00 | ... | ... | ... | 23 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 869 | Maywood | 391 | 62 | 1 | 15 | ... | 78 | 5 | ... | 15 | 2 | ... | 22 | 447 | 446.00 | 8 | 56 | 63 | 410 | 37 | 132.99 | 67.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 870 | Lostant | 62 | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 7 | 2 | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 6 | 63 | 63.00 | ... | 7 | 4 | 60 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 871 | Argenta | 76 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 79 | 79.00 | ... | 8 | 5 | 72 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 872 | Free Will | 68 | 10 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 3 | 75 | 75.00 | 2 | 13 | 9 | 69 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 873 | Standard | 656 | 45 | 5 | 8 | ... | 58 | 15 | ... | 11 | 2 | ... | 28 | 686 | 683.00 | 3 | 35 | 35 | 615 | 71 | 165.15 | 99.40 | ..... | 33.40 |
| 874 | Nifong | 37 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 41 | 41.00 | ... | 5 | 5 | 36 | 5 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 875 | Cornerstone | 365 | 38 | 2 | 1 | ... | 41 | 4 | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | 10 | 396 | 396.00 | 3 | 42 | 39 | 362 | 34 | 124.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 876 | Wm. McKinley | 483 | 36 | ... | 2 | ... | 38 | 9 | 1 | 9 | 4 | ... | 23 | 498 | 498.00 | 12 | 35 | 38 | 437 | 61 | 400.00 | 28.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 877 | Granite City | 258 | 26 | ... | 1 | ... | 27 | 1 | ... | 1 | 4 | ... | 6 | 279 | 279.00 | 6 | 29 | 26 | 236 | 43 | 200.00 | 55.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 |
| 878 | Equity | 621 | 30 | ... | ... | ... | 30 | ... | ... | 7 | 4 | ... | 11 | 640 | 640.00 | 13 | 29 | 29 | 578 | 62 | 30.00 | 44.05 | 25.00 | ..... |
| 879 | Composite | 415 | 39 | 1 | 1 | ... | 41 | 2 | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 9 | 447 | 446.00 | 6 | 30 | 32 | 396 | 51 | 265.00 | 110.55 | 27.50 | ..... |
| 880 | John B. Sherman | 542 | 45 | ... | 2 | ... | 47 | 3 | ... | 9 | 1 | ... | 13 | 576 | 576.00 | 13 | 39 | 45 | 537 | 39 | 417.69 | 217.69 | ..... | ..... |
| 881 | Marissa | 60 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 60 | 60.00 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 50 | 10 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 882 | Boulevard | 922 | 91 | ... | 3 | ... | 94 | ... | ... | 7 | 6 | ... | 13 | 1003 | 1003.00 | 13 | 94 | 94 | 930 | 73 | 1036.70 | 217.20 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| 883 | Wheeler | 31 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 2 | 29 | 29.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 26 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 884 | Bethany | 68 | 2 | ... | 2 | 1 | 5 | ... | ... | .. | ... | ... | ... | 73 | 73.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 65 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 885 | Villa Grove | 127 | 10 | ... | 3 | ... | 13 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 140 | 140.00 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 134 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 886 | Hooppole | 23 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 26 | 26.00 | ... | 2 | 4 | 25 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 887 | Pyramid | 86 | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 91 | 91.00 | ... | 8 | 8 | 60 | 31 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 888 | Damascus | 403 | 50 | 1 | 11 | ... | 62 | 5 | ... | 6 | 3 | ... | 14 | 451 | 451.00 | 4 | 61 | 49 | 394 | 57 | 142.75 | 123.45 | ..... | ..... |
| 889 | America | 550 | 66 | ... | 7 | ... | 73 | 2 | ... | 10 | 5 | ... | 17 | 606 | 606.00 | 10 | 66 | 61 | 560 | 46 | 696.00 | 107.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 890 | DesPlaines | 155 | 14 | ... | 2 | ... | 16 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 168 | 168.00 | 3 | 13 | 12 | 157 | 11 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 891 | Logan Square | 552 | 83 | 2 | 2 | ... | 87 | 5 | ... | 13 | 5 | ... | 23 | 616 | 615.00 | 10 | 88 | 83 | 583 | 33 | 182.77 | 82.65 | ..... | ..... |
| 892 | Constellation | 693 | 95 | 2 | ... | ... | 97 | 2 | 1 | 7 | ... | ... | 10 | 780 | 778.00 | 13 | 101 | 102 | 712 | 68 | 300.00 | 50.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 893 | Loraine | 53 | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 5 | ... | ... | .. | 1 | ... | 1 | 57 | 57.00 | ... | 5 | 4 | 51 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 894 | Utopia | 269 | 11 | ... | ... | ... | 11 | 1 | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 6 | 274 | 273.00 | ... | 11 | 11 | 245 | 29 | 268.00 | 72.90 | ..... | ..... |
| 895 | Crescent | 544 | 46 | ... | 4 | ... | 50 | 5 | ... | 4 | 8 | ... | 17 | 577 | 577.00 | 12 | 48 | 51 | 535 | 42 | 465.50 | 81.50 | 35.00 | 35.00 |
| 896 | Kosmos | 341 | 26 | ... | 1 | ... | 27 | 4 | ... | 9 | 2 | ... | 15 | 353 | 353.00 | 4 | 26 | 25 | 318 | 35 | 109.00 | 20.00 | 10.00 | ..... |

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| 897 | Ogden Park | 539 | 39 | 1 | 3 | | 43 | | | 6 | 4 | | 10 | 572 | 572.00 | 15 | 36 | 39 | 549 | 23 | 475.97 | 111.20 | | |
| 898 | Silvis | 138 | 13 | | | | 13 | | | 3 | 1 | | 4 | 147 | 147.00 | 2 | 22 | 13 | 102 | 45 | 15.00 | | | |
| 899 | Park Manor | 401 | 41 | 1 | 1 | | 43 | 6 | | 2 | | | 8 | 436 | 436.00 | 1 | 37 | 37 | 399 | 37 | | 146.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 900 | Carnation | 425 | 37 | 4 | | | 41 | 5 | | 13 | 1 | | 19 | 447 | 447.00 | 1 | 39 | 36 | 392 | 55 | 539.00 | 103.75 | | |
| 901 | Edgewater | 637 | 65 | | 12 | | 77 | 4 | | 15 | 3 | | 22 | 692 | 692.00 | 8 | 64 | 75 | 644 | 48 | 93.00 | 15.00 | 25.00 | |
| 902 | Alto | 44 | 4 | | | | 4 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 47 | 47.00 | | 6 | 6 | 45 | 2 | 19.35 | | | |
| 903 | Elkhart | 60 | 8 | | 2 | | 10 | 3 | | | | | 3 | 67 | 67.00 | | 19 | 10 | 61 | 6 | | | | |
| 904 | Carlock | 69 | 3 | | | | 3 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 70 | 70.00 | | 4 | 3 | 66 | 4 | | 15.00 | | |
| 905 | Hanover | 47 | 5 | | 1 | | 6 | | | | | | | 53 | 53.00 | 1 | 8 | 5 | 40 | 13 | | | | |
| 906 | Coffeen | 39 | 2 | | | | 2 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 4 | 37 | 37.00 | | 2 | 2 | 36 | 1 | | | | |
| 907 | Ancient Craft | 434 | 38 | | 4 | | 42 | | | 3 | 1 | | 4 | 472 | 472.00 | 5 | 36 | 34 | 435 | 37 | | 210.00 | 50.00 | 25.00 |
| 908 | Gil. W. Barnard | 145 | 12 | | 1 | | 13 | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 155 | 154.00 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 142 | 13 | | | | |
| 909 | Bee Hive | 425 | 116 | | | 4 | 120 | | | 1 | 2 | | 3 | 542 | 542.00 | 28 | 108 | 114 | 520 | 22 | 175.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| 910 | Hull | 62 | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 63 | 63.00 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 50 | 13 | | | | |
| 911 | Bellflower | 43 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 43 | 43.00 | | | 2 | 40 | 3 | | | | |
| 912 | Stellar | 60 | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | | | | | | 63 | 63.00 | | 3 | 2 | 48 | 15 | | | | |
| 913 | Aaron | 287 | 25 | | | | 25 | | | 7 | | | 7 | 305 | 305.00 | 3 | 29 | 29 | 287 | 18 | 88.67 | 71.95 | | |
| 914 | Republic | 230 | 17 | | 5 | | 22 | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 249 | 249.00 | 1 | 19 | 19 | 228 | 21 | | 47.60 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| 915 | Jackson Park | 345 | 30 | | 2 | | 32 | 3 | | 6 | 1 | | 10 | 367 | 367.00 | 7 | 31 | 34 | 341 | 26 | 50.00 | 81.50 | | |
| 916 | Welcome | 314 | 27 | 1 | 4 | | 32 | | | 7 | 3 | | 10 | 336 | 336.00 | 5 | 29 | 32 | 289 | 47 | 30.00 | 31.40 | 15.00 | 15.00 |
| 917 | Concord | 268 | 25 | | 1 | | 26 | 1 | | 3 | 4 | | 8 | 286 | 286.00 | 3 | 25 | 24 | 266 | 20 | 211.46 | | | |
| 918 | Sesser | 62 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 62 | 62.00 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 57 | 5 | | | | |
| 919 | Elwood | 54 | 5 | | | | 5 | | | | | | | 59 | 59.00 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 57 | 2 | | | | |
| 920 | Cottonwood | 30 | 1 | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 30 | 30.00 | | 1 | 1 | 30 | | | | | |
| 921 | Avondale | 309 | 39 | | | | 39 | | | 5 | 2 | | 7 | 341 | 341.00 | 2 | 36 | 40 | 325 | 16 | 20.00 | 74.65 | 15.00 | 15.00 |
| 922 | Compass | 210 | 36 | 1 | 2 | | 39 | 3 | | 12 | 1 | | 16 | 233 | 233.00 | 4 | 36 | 34 | 214 | 19 | | 93.40 | 10.00 | |
| 923 | East Gate | 456 | 53 | | 2 | | 55 | 4 | | 5 | 6 | | 15 | 496 | 496.00 | 19 | 57 | 54 | 468 | 28 | 553.00 | 10.00 | 25.00 | |
| 924 | Banner Blue | 399 | 30 | | 4 | | 34 | 1 | | 5 | 2 | | 8 | 425 | 425.00 | 3 | 30 | 30 | 415 | 10 | 267.75 | 50.20 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 925 | Molenna | 47 | 3 | | | | 3 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 4 | 46 | 46.00 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 43 | 3 | 10.00 | | | |
| 926 | Veritas | 706 | 60 | | 2 | | 62 | | | 20 | 8 | | 28 | 740 | 740.00 | 6 | 57 | 61 | 705 | 35 | | | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 927 | Candida | 304 | 28 | 1 | 3 | | 32 | 1 | | 10 | 4 | | 14 | 322 | 322.00 | 3 | 42 | 32 | 312 | 10 | 175.00 | | 15.00 | |
| 928 | Grant Park | 40 | | | | | | | | | 2 | | 2 | 38 | 38.00 | | | | 36 | 2 | | | | |
| 929 | Ashland | 50 | 5 | 1 | 3 | | 9 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 58 | 58.00 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 58 | | | | | |
| 930 | Joseph Robbins | 116 | 19 | | 2 | | 21 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 135 | 135.00 | 3 | 30 | 20 | 132 | 3 | | | | |
| 931 | Wilmette | 357 | 20 | | 7 | | 27 | 1 | | 3 | 5 | | 9 | 375 | 375.00 | | 26 | 23 | 362 | 13 | 70.00 | 35.70 | 25.00 | |
| 932 | Sandoval | 73 | 1 | | | | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | | 3 | 71 | 71.00 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 55 | 16 | | | | |
| 933 | Manlius | 43 | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | 1 | | 2 | | | 3 | 43 | 43.00 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 40 | 3 | | | | |
| 934 | Hinsdale | 152 | 18 | | 4 | | 22 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 172 | 172.00 | | 18 | 20 | 158 | 14 | 51.40 | | | |
| 935 | LaMoine | 32 | 2 | | | | 2 | | | | | | | 34 | 34.00 | | 3 | 3 | 33 | 1 | | | | |
| 936 | Rock Falls | 120 | 4 | | | | 4 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 123 | 123.00 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 111 | 12 | | | | |
| 937 | North Shore | 601 | 69 | | 13 | | 82 | 4 | | 22 | 2 | | 28 | 655 | 655.00 | 6 | 77 | 70 | 621 | 34 | 765.20 | 126.75 | | |
| 938 | Circle | 224 | 48 | | 13 | 1 | 62 | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 | 283 | 283.00 | 17 | 58 | 55 | 273 | 10 | 168.15 | 32.37 | 5.00 | |
| 939 | Table Grove | 49 | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | | | 2 | | 2 | 50 | 50.00 | | 5 | 3 | 45 | 5 | | | | |
| 940 | Pleasant View | 39 | 10 | | | | 10 | 4 | | | | | 4 | 45 | 45.00 | | 5 | 7 | 42 | 3 | | | | |
| 941 | Elmhurst | 173 | 23 | | 3 | | 26 | | | 2 | 3 | | 5 | 194 | 194.00 | 3 | 18 | 20 | 186 | 8 | | | | |

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

| Lodge No. | NAME | Membership, 1916 | INCREASE | | | | Total Increase | DECREASE | | | | | Total Decrease | Present Membership 1917 | Dues, 1917 | Rejections | Initiations | Passed | Membership Residing in Illinois | Members Residing Outside of Ill. | Contributed to Members, their Widows and Orphans | Contributed to those not Members | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans Home | Contributed to Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan |
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| 943 | Maple Park | 33 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 37 | 37.00 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 37 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 943 | Bohemia | 358 | 57 | ... | 2 | ... | 59 | ... | ... | 15 | 4 | ... | 19 | 398 | 398.00 | 11 | 61 | 60 | 396 | 2 | ..... | 100.00 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 944 | John C. Smith | 293 | 55 | 3 | 1 | ... | 59 | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | ... | 4 | 348 | 348.00 | 32 | 53 | 54 | 329 | 19 | 70.00 | 35.00 | 15.00 | 15.00 |
| 945 | Buffalo | 43 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 44 | 44.00 | ... | 3 | 1 | 42 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 946 | Joy | 68 | 15 | ... | 3 | ... | 18 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 85 | 85.00 | 1 | 10 | 12 | 82 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 947 | Kenmore | 117 | 14 | ... | ... | ... | 14 | ... | ... | 3 | 1 | ... | 4 | 127 | 127.00 | 5 | 13 | 13 | 119 | 8 | ..... | 22.55 | ..... | ..... |
| 948 | R. F. Casey | 27 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 30 | 30.00 | ... | 7 | 8 | 30 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 949 | Justice | 362 | 38 | 1 | ... | ... | 39 | 2 | ... | 8 | 3 | ... | 13 | 388 | 388.00 | 6 | 46 | 43 | 368 | 20 | 244.00 | 72.84 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 950 | Glen Ellyn | 117 | 12 | ... | 1 | ... | 13 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 129 | 129.00 | 1 | 10 | 10 | 125 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 951 | Depue | 47 | 7 | ... | 1 | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 54 | 54.00 | 4 | 12 | 13 | 41 | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 952 | Donovan | 40 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 38 | 38.00 | ... | ... | ... | 34 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 953 | Stone Arch | 25 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 31 | 31.00 | ... | 6 | 7 | 30 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 954 | Progressive | 231 | 53 | ... | 3 | ... | 56 | 1 | ... | 5 | 1 | ... | 7 | 280 | 280.00 | 5 | 50 | 52 | 269 | 11 | 75.00 | 94.83 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 955 | Cicero | 144 | 39 | ... | 1 | ... | 40 | ... | ... | 4 | 1 | ... | 5 | 179 | 179.00 | 15 | 48 | 44 | 173 | 6 | 10.00 | 31.30 | 44.00 | 61.60 |
| 956 | Washi'gt'n Park | 309 | 74 | ... | 3 | ... | 77 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 384 | 384.00 | 4 | 81 | 81 | 370 | 14 | ..... | 283.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 957 | Prospect | 124 | 32 | ... | 1 | ... | 33 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 155 | 155.00 | 3 | 26 | 28 | 151 | 4 | 50.00 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 958 | Prudence | 310 | 75 | ... | 4 | ... | 79 | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | 3 | 386 | 386.00 | 27 | 71 | 72 | 374 | 12 | 90.00 | 122.50 | 35.00 | 15.00 |
| 959 | Warrensburg | 41 | 5 | ... | ... | 5 | 10 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 49 | 49.00 | ... | 3 | 5 | 44 | 5 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 960 | Algonquin | 46 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 45 | 45.00 | 2 | 2 | ... | 42 | 3 | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 961 | Federal | 134 | 20 | ... | 4 | ... | 24 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 155 | 155.00 | 2 | 21 | 22 | 142 | 13 | 121.55 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 962 | Ben Franklin | 379 | 45 | ... | 3 | ... | 48 | ... | ... | 33 | 2 | ... | 35 | 392 | 392.00 | 4 | 58 | 50 | 382 | 10 | 389.50 | 37.00 | ..... | 25.00 |
| 963 | Broughton | 28 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | 27 | 27.00 | ... | 1 | 1 | 25 | 2 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 964 | Maplewood | 132 | 28 | ... | 1 | ... | 29 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 158 | 158.00 | 2 | 33 | 31 | 154 | 4 | 10.50 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 965 | Cisco | 36 | 5 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 40 | 40.00 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 39 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
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| 967 | Dahlgren | 26 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 29 | 29.00 | ... | 4 | 3 | 26 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 968 | South Gate | 79 | 21 | ... | ... | ... | 21 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | 2 | 98 | 98.00 | ... | 25 | 17 | 92 | 6 | 25.00 | ..... | 8.80 | 8.80 |
| 969 | East Moline | 77 | 9 | ... | 2 | ... | 11 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 88 | 88.00 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 84 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 970 | St. Joseph | 61 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 61 | 61.00 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 57 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 971 | Fernwood Park | 84 | 13 | ... | 1 | ... | 14 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | 3 | 95 | 95.00 | ... | 12 | 14 | 91 | 4 | 45.00 | 28.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 972 | Rainbow | 154 | 45 | ... | 10 | ... | 55 | ... | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | 7 | 202 | 202.00 | ... | 45 | 46 | 192 | 10 | ..... | 50.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 973 | Perseverance | 160 | 28 | ... | 3 | ... | 31 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 189 | 189.00 | 3 | 21 | 24 | 175 | 14 | 110.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 974 | Albany Park | 152 | 42 | ... | 6 | ... | 48 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 198 | 198.00 | 2 | 46 | 45 | 196 | 2 | 75.00 | ..... | 10.00 | ..... |
| 975 | Old Glory | 225 | 64 | ... | 8 | ... | 72 | ... | ... | 4 | 2 | ... | 6 | 291 | 291.00 | 2 | 68 | 65 | 285 | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

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| 977 | Parian ..... | 143 | 36 | ... | 2 | ... | 38 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 178 | 178.00 | 2 | 39 | 37 | 171 | 7 | 8.00 | 8.00 | ..... | 15.30 |
| 978 | Square. ..... ... | 78 | 16 | ... | ... | ... | 16 | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 4 | 90 | 90.00 | 3 | 12 | 13 | 88 | 2 | 80.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 979 | Stephen Decatur | 185 | 59 | ... | 5 | ... | 64 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | ... | 4 | 245 | 245.00 | 9 | 53 | 60 | 231 | 14 | 5.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 980 | Anchor..... | 79 | 37 | ... | 2 | ... | 39 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | 3 | 115 | 115.00 | 2 | 37 | 27 | 100 | 15 | 25.00 | 5.00 | ..... | 5.00 |
| 981 | Trowel ..... | 96 | 36 | ... | ... | ... | 36 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 131 | 131.00 | 4 | 35 | 35 | 129 | 2 | 48.63 | 15.00 | 10.00 | 10.00 |
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| 983 | Glencoe ..... | 129 | 9 | ... | 8 | ... | 17 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 146 | 146.00 | 1 | 12 | 12 | 138 | 8 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
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| 989 | Hyde Park ..... | 138 | 20 | ... | 2 | ... | 22 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | ... | 4 | 156 | 156.00 | 9 | 21 | 20 | 152 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 14.90 |
| 990 | Clover Leaf..... | 25 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 3 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | 3 | 25 | 25.00 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 25 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
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| 992 | Niagara..... | 141 | 24 | ... | 15 | ... | 39 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 179 | 179.00 | 4 | 30 | 23 | 172 | 7 | 144.25 | 10.00 | ..... | ..... |
| 993 | Leyden ..... | 53 | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 58 | 58.00 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 58 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 994 | True Blue ..... | 74 | 21 | ... | 4 | ... | 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 99 | 99.00 | 3 | 23 | 21 | 96 | 3 | 25.00 | 3.70 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 995 | Lawndale ..... | 159 | 25 | ... | 1 | ... | 26 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 184 | 184.00 | 12 | 37 | 31 | 184 | ... | 131.30 | ..... | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| 996 | Sunrise..... | 114 | 37 | ... | 4 | ... | 41 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 154 | 154.00 | 9 | 56 | 52 | 149 | 5 | 36.00 | 11.60 | ..... | ..... |
| 997 | Integrity ..... | 106 | 78 | ... | 9 | ... | 87 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 193 | 193.00 | 7 | 48 | 46 | 193 | ... | ..... | ..... | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| 998 | Paul Revere ..... | 126 | 24 | ... | 6 | ... | 30 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | 3 | 153 | 153.00 | 1 | 31 | 27 | 152 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 12.50 | 12.50 |
| 999 | Morgan Park .... | 114 | 33 | ... | 6 | ... | 39 | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 151 | 151.00 | 4 | 40 | 33 | 150 | 1 | 12.00 | 15.50 | ..... | ..... |
| 1000 | Baylis ..... | 37 | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | 38 | 38.00 | ... | 6 | 6 | 37 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 1001 | Wayfarers ..... | 79 | 7 | ... | 10 | ... | 17 | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 3 | 93 | 93.00 | 2 | 10 | 8 | 90 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 1002 | Portage Park .... | 89 | 24 | ... | 4 | ... | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 117 | 117.00 | 5 | 30 | 28 | 116 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Fortitude..... | 49 | 77 | ... | 4 | ... | 81 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 130 | 81.00 | 23 | 81 | 77 | 130 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Hurst..... .. .... | 26 | 14 | ... | ... | ... | 14 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40 | 14.00 | 4 | 15 | 14 | 40 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Community..... | 120 | 54 | ... | 11 | ... | 65 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 185 | 65.00 | 7 | 55 | 54 | 185 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Loyal. ..... | 96 | 33 | ... | 26 | ... | 59 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 155 | 59.00 | 4 | 35 | 33 | 155 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Fair Oaks..... | 72 | 21 | ... | 128 | ... | 149 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 221 | 149.00 | 1 | 26 | 21 | 221 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Parkway..... | 140 | 22 | ... | 27 | ... | 49 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 189 | 49.00 | 6 | 22 | 22 | 189 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Hi·am ..... | 69 | 13 | ... | 8 | ... | 21 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 90 | 21.00 | 1 | 13 | 13 | 90 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Woodson..... | 26 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29 | 3.00 | ... | 2 | 2 | 29 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Honor..... | 80 | 18 | ... | 6 | ... | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 104 | 24.00 | 4 | 22 | 18 | 104 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | Birchwood..... | 144 | 9 | ... | 49 | ... | 58 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 202 | 58.00 | ... | 32 | 9 | 202 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| U D | John Paul Jones. | 59 | 3 | ... | 12 | ... | 15 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 74 | 15.00 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 74 | ... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |

## AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS—Proposed.

**824A.** Any Mason who may hereafter engage in any of the businesses prohibited in Code 447A shall be expelled.

Consideration of the above amendment proposed in 1916, was postponed until the 1918 meeting of the Grand Lodge.

Proposed at the meeting of 1917:

**670.** No lodge should spend for refreshments or social entertainments in any Masonic year more than ten per centum of its gross annual income for such year, and the secretary of each lodge in his annual returns sent to the grand secretary should show the amount of his lodge's income and the total amount expended by the lodge in the year covered by such returns, for refreshments and social entertainments.

Amend 824 by the addition of the following paragraph:

**A.** Any Mason in Illinois who shall hereafter enter into any of the businesses enumerated in Section A of Code 447, shall be placed on trial and if found guilty, shall be expelled.

Amend Code by striking out 321:

**321.** Smoking in open lodge is prohibited, and the master is responsible for the strict enforcement of this by-law.

## AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS—Adopted.

Code No. 837 as adopted reads as follows:

**837.** All charges and specifications shall be filed with the secretary of the lodge and the date of said filing endorsed thereon. Without delay notice shall be sent by mail to all resident members of the filing of said charges, with the names of the accuser and accused and the date of the stated meeting at which the same will be read in open lodge and their acceptance or rejection acted upon. Such stated meeting shall be designated by the master and shall be not less than five, nor more than twenty, days after the date said notice is mailed. However, in cases where the magnitude of an offense demands, or where the lodge or the master shall deem it for the best interests of Masonry, the matter may be laid before the grand master, and by authority of his dispensation said charges may be read and accepted at a special meeting of the lodge called for the purpose, of which meeting notice shall be given the resident members.

Code No. 717 as adopted reads as follows:

**717.** No Mason shall use or be a party to the using of the word "Masonic" as a part of the style and title or designation of any business firm, concern, company, association or enterprise whatever; unless such business shall be the printing or publication of Masonic books, papers, or periodicals or the manufacture and sale of Masonic supplies, or unless it be a cemetery or burial association, temple association, hospital, employment bureau, or relief association conducted wholly by Masons and only for the use and benefit of Masons or Masonry.

Code No. 141 as adopted reads as follows:

**141.** The salary of the grand treasurer shall be $1,500.00 per annum, which shall be in full compensation for all his official services.

Paragraphs E and F of Code No. 218 as adopted reads as follows:

**E.** For each member of every chartered lodge under this jurisdiction, one dollar annually.

**F.** For every Master Mason whose name is upon the roll of any lodge under dispensation, and who is not a member of some chartered lodge in this jurisdiction, one dollar annually, the same to be paid by such lodge under dispensation.

Code No. 423 as adopted reads as follows:

**423.** No Mason shall be an actual member of more than one chartered lodge at the same time, provided that a lodge may by unanimous ballot confer honorary membership, upon any Master Mason, who is a member in good standing of some other regular lodge, his name having been proposed at a previous stated meeting. Such honorary member shall have the rights of regular membership, except that he shall not be subject to the payment of dues, nor shall he vote or hold office in such lodge.

Code No. 606 as adopted reads as follows:

**606.** When a brother desires to change his membership from his lodge to another lodge, he shall give his lodge notice thereof in writing. This notice shall be read in open lodge at a stated meeting and lie over till the next or some subsequent stated meeting, when if there are no formal charges against him and his dues are paid four months in advance, the secretary shall issue to him a certificate under seal of the lodge showing that the dues have been paid as aforesaid and stating for what purpose the certificate is issued. This certificate may be deposited with his petition in the lodge he wishes to join at any time within two months of its date and be treated as the necessary documentary evidence to accompany a petition for affiliation. If he is elected to membership in the petitioned lodge the secretary thereof shall immediately notify the first lodge, and the petitioner's membership therein shall cease from the time such notice is received. If favorable action is not taken within four months from the date of the certificate the petitioner shall still be a member of the original lodge and chargeable with dues therein. Nothing in this section shall operate to change the law regarding dimits or affiliation thereon.

The certificate to be issued under this section shall give or have endorsed thereon the date and place of the holder's birth, and the date of his election, initiation, passing and raising, as well as the name and number of the lodge doing the work, and of the lodge issuing such certificate.

Code No. 321 as adopted reads as follows:

**321.** Smoking in open lodge is prohibited, and the Master is responsible for the strict enforcement of this by-law.

Code No. 350 as adopted reads as follows:

**350.** The Master may call a special meeting of the lodge for work at any hall within its jurisdiction other than the usual place of meeting, by giving due notice to the resident members but no such special meeting may be called at any place outside of the city or village in which the lodge is chartered and customarily holds its meetings.

Code No. 351 as adopted reads as follows:

**351.** A lodge may change its place of meeting from one place to another place in the same city or village without procuring the consent of any other lodge. Such change may be authorized by a majority vote of all members present at a stated meeting of the lodge in the following manner. A resolution in writing that such change be made, designating the place to which such meeting place shall be changed, shall be offered to the lodge at any stated meeting. Said resolution shall lie over for consideration until the next stated meeting of the lodge. All members of the lodge shall be notified by mail that such resolution will be disposed of at the next stated meeting and such notice shall be sent at least five days before such next stated meeting.

Code No. 876 as adopted reads as follows:

**876.** In all cases when charges against a brother have been accepted by the lodge, the secretary of the lodge shall at once send to the grand master a copy of such charges and specifications, and of the action of the lodge in accepting such charges and in ordering the accused brother to be put on trial.

Paragraph A of Code No. 327 as adopted reads as follows:

**A.** Masons are prohibited from appearing in public drinking saloons in their Masonic clothing, and any Mason thus offending shall be disciplined.

Paragraph A of Code No. 447 as adopted reads as follows:

**A.** No lodge shall receive a petition for the degrees, or for affiliation from any person who is engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, either as a distiller, brewer, brewery agent, wholesale liquor dealer or salesman for such dealer, saloon keeper or bartender.

Code No. 866 as adopted reads as follows:

**866.** Trial commissions appointed by the grand master shall consist of three disinterested and experienced brethren, members of lodges in Illinois, residing outside the jurisdiction of the lodge interested excepting that in the city of Chicago such trial commission may be appointed by the grand master from brethren residing in the city of Chicago, not members of the trial lodge.

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